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Clinton backs FBI over decision to storm Waco

■ *In spite of the catastrophic end to the Waco siege, the FBI still defends its conduct of the operation and claims that more members of the cult could have escaped*

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON AND BEN MACINTYRE IN WACO

PRESIDENT Clinton yesterday accepted "full responsibility" for the decisions that led to the deaths of more than 80 people in the fire at the Branch Davidian cult headquarters in Waco, Texas. He ordered an official investigation into the handling of attempts to flush out the cult members besieged inside the compound.

In his first statements since the fire on Monday night, Mr Clinton said that David Koresh, the cult leader, was "probably insane". He added: "He killed those he controlled and he bears ultimate responsibility for the carnage that ensued."

Mr Clinton said: "I take full responsibility for the implementation of the decision." But he made it clear that the decision to storm the compound had been that of Janet Reno, the attorney-general.



Reno: willing to resign if president so wished

On Monday night Ms Reno, who has been in office barely five weeks, said that she was willing to resign if the president wished. Mr Clinton said yesterday that he was "astonished that anyone had even suggested she resign "because some religious fanatics murdered themselves".

Only nine people escaped from the fire which engulfed the compound at Mount Carmel, outside Waco. The rest of the 95 cult members inside, including Koresh and at least 17 children, are believed to have died.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation, which sparked the mass suicide by attempting to flush out the cult members with tear gas, insisted yesterday that the fire had been started by the occupants. Jeff Jamar, special agent in overall command of the operation, said that David Koresh had "controlled events absolutely" during the confrontation and that fears for the safety of the children within the compound had prompted the decision to try flushing out the cult.

The two Britons who survived the fire were charged at Waco district court with being material witnesses and were returned to jail. Derek Lovelock, 37, and Renos Avraam, 28, are believed to have retreated to their bedrooms to escape from the tear gas. When the fire broke out, Mr Avraam leapt from his window and Mr Lovelock fled through one of the holes in the wall created by an FBI assault vehicle.

Early reports said that one body had been found in the charred rubble with a bullet wound through the forehead. Mr Jamar indicated that the more fanatical members of the cult might have killed others to prevent them from leaving the building once the fire had begun.

The FBI said that, as soon as the fire had cooled sufficiently to approach the site, agents searched a bus that had been buried to form a makeshift bunker on the west side of the compound, where Koresh had promised to put the cult's 17 children for protection. Mr Jamar said that no bodies were found in the bus.

The FBI described as "total speculation" early reports suggesting that the children might have been given lethal injections before the fire was lit. It denied a charge made by one of the nine survivors as he was arraigned yesterday morning, claiming that the blaze had been started by the FBI when it knocked over a vial of lighter fluid when knocking holes in the walls of the compound.

☐ John Major promised yesterday that ministers would use the immigration laws to keep leaders of undesirable cults out of Britain. He stressed the difficulties of introducing legislation to ban organisations such as the Branch Davidian, but told MPs that the government was "prepared and willing" to use existing powers to control the behaviour of individuals who infringed the rights of others.

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Briton in chains: survivors of the inferno, including Derek Lovelock, second in line, are led into the county court

Muslim and Croat fighting rages across central Bosnia

BY EVE-ANN PRENTICE AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

FIGHTING between Croats and Muslims raged across the centre of Bosnia yesterday as each side tried to seize land in areas which they would control under the Vance-Owen peace plan.

As the death toll in central Bosnia climbed into the hundreds, a British lance corporal was accidentally shot and seriously injured by a fellow soldier in Vitez, which has been the scene of some of the bitterest fighting in the past five days. A British helicopter was also fired on in a separate attack, but landed safely.

General Philippe Morillon, head of the United Nations Protection Force in Bosnia, set out for Vitez yesterday in an attempt to negotiate a ceasefire between the republic's Croats and Muslims.

Captain Lee Smart, a spokesman for the British troops in Vitez, said: "There are rocket-launchers firing and mortars. A howitzer over the back keeps pounding away." British soldiers said the centre of the town had been devastated by what was believed to have been a lorry-bomb near a mosque at the weekend. "The destruction in the centre is incredible," Capt Smart said. "There are still a lot of bodies lying about."

British soldiers in armoured fighting vehicles and armoured ambulances have been taking dead and wounded to hospital. But Capt Smart said it was still too dangerous to go into some villages.

Nato planes confirmed the first violation of the UN no-fly zone. Two US F15s sent to check a series of radar signals coming from unknown aircraft spotted a low-flying helicopter near Banja Luka on Monday.

In Washington, President Clinton summoned top advisers to discuss American options for responding to the crisis. Boutros Boutros Ghali, the UN secretary-general, criticised suggestions that Washington could act on its own to deal with the crisis. After talks with Emilio Colombo, the Italian foreign minister, Dr Boutros Ghali said that no nation should act alone.

In London, Malcolm Rifkind, the defence secretary discounted the chances that America would unilaterally lift the arms embargo on Bosnia's Muslims and said Britain did not intend to strengthen its military contingent.

Andrei Kozyrev, the Russian foreign minister, also ruled out air strikes, saying in a BBC interview that they were, in operative and practical terms, out of the question.

In Washington, Warren Christopher, the Secretary of State, told senators that the "worsening situation" could require the use of force, but again ruled out the deployment of ground troops.

Hurd against ground troops

Douglas Hurd, the Foreign Secretary, is strongly opposed to British ground troops becoming involved in the fighting in Bosnia, he tells *The Times* today.

But he leaves open the possibility of air action to increase the pressure on Bosnian Serbs to sign the Vance-Owen peace plan. Mr Hurd also wants a co-ordinator, possibly American, to oversee United Nations sanctions.

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Borrowing surges to a £9.5bn record

BY JANET BUSH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

THE government borrowed £9.5 billion in March, a record which underscored the severe problems in trying to bring public finances under control over coming years.

The Public Sector Borrowing Requirement (PSBR) total was £9.5 billion in March, bringing the official borrowing total for the last fiscal year to £36.5 billion. Nevertheless, the Treasury said it saw no reason to raise its forecast of a £50 billion PSBR in the coming year on the strength of yesterday's news which showed borrowing some £1.5 billion higher than officials or the financial markets had been expecting.

The most worrying aspect of the figures for the Treasury was a 30 per cent surge in spending by central government in March which underlines the importance of what, by all accounts, is set to be a stringent review of public spending led by Michael Portillo, chief secretary to the Treasury.

Simon Briscoe, chief UK economist at Midland Global Markets, said: "The Treasury must have been shocked by the size of the borrowing figure in March but that is not as important in the long run as the success or otherwise of the current initiatives to restrain spending."

Keeping a lid on government spending is even more crucial given that tax receipts, particularly from companies, are expected to remain weak in the coming year. On a brighter note, Michael Saunders of Salomon Brothers, noted that the decline in revenue from companies was showing signs of slowing down and that taxes on spending such as VAT were also beginning to improve, reflecting the fact that the economic recovery is getting underway.

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DPP says defendants' right to jury trial should be scrapped

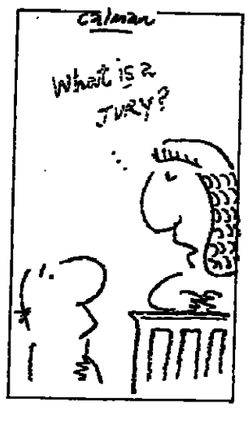
BY FRANCES GIBB
LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Director of Public Prosecutions, Barbara Mills QC, called yesterday for defendants to lose the right to choose trial by jury. Instead, she suggested that prosecutors or magistrates decide whether a defendant could go for jury trial.

In a second controversial proposal, she said that the defence should be required to disclose its case before trial, although opponents would fear the effect of such a system on the right to silence.

There have been repeated calls to curb a defendant's right to silence, most recently after the failure of the prosecution to bring manslaughter charges over the death of a three-year-old boy, who suffered a fractured skull, when both parents refused to answer police questions.

In an exclusive interview with *The Times*, Mrs Mills also backed a system of sentence discounts for guilty pleas, known as plea-bargaining, and the abolition of committal proceedings over as



Mrs Mills year ago today, some measures she hopes may emerge from the Royal Commission on Criminal Justice in its report this summer.

She expressed concern about the amount of time and money wasted each year by "cracked trials" — trials that abort after a defendant elects jury trial but then changes his or her plea to guilty.

Of nearly 120,000 crown court cases a year, abo 62,000 are sent up by magistrates. Of the others must are so serious that higher court be heard in p 35,000 are and the e the defendant there b own court. elect these 35,000, 80 per then plead guilty to all arges on the indictment." Mrs Mills said. "Everyone has to pay for this. We are very anxious that the resources of the crown court are used seriously and asked for the system to change."

In her evidence to the royal

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Appeal threatens teachers' boycott

By John O'Leary
Education Correspondent

A TEACHERS' union was accused yesterday of using an industrial dispute to challenge the policy of an elected government, as the controversy over school tests reached the Court of Appeal.

The Conservative-controlled borough of Wandsworth, in south London, is renewing its attempt to have a boycott of the tests declared illegal. Earlier this month, a High Court judge refused to grant an injunction against the National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers.

The union has instructed more than 100,000 members at schools in England, Wales and Northern Ireland to abandon this summer's tests and assessments, following a ballot. Two other unions are balloting on similar action.

Wandsworth argues that teachers operating the boycott are not covered by the statutory immunity protecting genuine trade disputes under the 1992 Trade Union and Labour Relations Act.

Patrick Elias QC, for the authority, told Lords Justices Neill, Steyn and Rose that the dispute was inextricably linked with the content of the national curriculum assessment arrangements, and so was not simply about teachers' terms and conditions causing excessive workload. He accused the union of "challenging the policy of the elected government and, by the use of industrial sanctions, seeking to resolve in the industrial sphere what should be resolved in the statutory sphere".

In the High Court, Mr Justice Mantell had ruled that the teachers, in taking action against tests and assessments they regarded as imposing an excessive workload, were engaged in a legal trade dispute because it related to terms and conditions of employment. The hearing is expected to last two or three days.

Mr Elias said that teachers were bound to carry out duties assigned to them under their employment contracts. The union was inducing teachers to break their contracts by instructing them to operate a boycott, which in Wandsworth would affect about 380 pupils at three secondary schools.

☐ Ministers moved to avoid another damaging educational dispute yesterday by promising to amend the Education Bill to demonstrate that they were not seeking new powers over universities. Vice-chancellors had objected to the bill's introductory clause and as the bill entered the House of Lords, Baroness Blatch, the education minister, announced that an amendment would stipulate that any new powers would not extend to higher education.

Privatised London bus route cuts its ties with a red past

MARTIN BEDDALL



Cut short: John Bowis, MP for Battersea, left, is temporarily lost for words, as he launches the first London Transport route to go to private tender. The 19 route — between Finsbury Park and Battersea — will be operated by Kentish Bus from Saturday using cream and maroon vehicles

Electricians' union votes for return to TUC fold

By Philip Bassett
Industrial Editor

■ Britain's biggest trade union split looks likely to be healed after electricians voted to rejoin the Trades Union Congress

THE AEEU engineering and electricial union has voted by an overwhelming majority to rejoin the TUC in a ballot which marks the first trade union referendum on TUC membership.

Britain's biggest split in trade union ranks was prompted when the EETPU electricians' union was expelled from the TUC in 1988. The expulsion was principally over single-union agreements signed by the electricians with foreign companies operating in Britain, but came against the background of hostility to the union for its involvement in the Wapping dispute with News International, publishers of *The Times*.

Although the electricians' single-union, no-strike deals were highly controversial at the time, since the EETPU's expulsion from the TUC many other unions — including some which were among the electricians' sharpest critics — have signed similar agreements.Since the TUC split, the electricians have merged with the engineers to form the new union, which, following the ballot vote declared yesterday at the union's conference in Llandudno, will now apply to the TUC for affiliation.

A total of 283,956 members (91.7 per cent of those voting) voted in favour of TUC affiliation and 25,619 (8.3 per cent) against in a 37 per cent turnout — one of the largest yes votes recorded in a trade union ballot.

The affiliation will almost certainly be opposed by some left-wingers who may try to block it at the TUC's annual conference in September. Many unions believe their members have been poached by the electricians and are pressing for them to be returned.

But TUC leaders and a former senior official of the government's conciliation service Acas have been trying to smooth out such difficulties in advance of the return of the electricians to the TUC fold. The AEEU predicted yesterday that disputes with around 12 other unions could be finalised within weeks.

Paul Gallagher, the electricians' leader, said it was an historic day. "We now have the opportunity to unite the trade union movement." Gavin Laird, AEEU general secretary, said the result was the "biggest vote of confidence" the union movement had ever had.

Norman Willis, TUC general secretary, said the vote demonstrated the value that working people and their unions placed on being part of the TUC. Rival union leaders also welcomed the vote. Bill Morris, general secretary of the TGWU transport union, said that having the AEEU fully within the TUC was a big step forward.

☐ Trade unions have served notice of a mass demonstration on May 15 outside the Timex plant at Dundee over 340 sacked workers.

The warning, given at the Scottish TUC conference in Glasgow, came after John Smith, the Labour leader, urged the prime minister to call the conciliation service Acas in to resolve the dispute.

Acas said yesterday in its annual report that large-scale job losses during the recession had led to a "dramatic" increase in individual disputes and there was a heavy demand to settle potential strikes.

☐ British Rail and leaders of the Rail, Maritime and Transport union held lengthy talks yesterday over the dispute which has closed the BR network twice in the past fortnight. Jimmy Knapp, RMT general secretary, said there was the "right atmosphere for constructive talks", which were still going on last night.

Sea laws enquiry begins

By Nicholas Watt

THE efficacy of international maritime rules was strongly questioned by Lord Donaldson of Lymington yesterday on the first day of his public enquiry following the *Braer* oil spill.

The former Master of the Rolls, who will spend up to six months hearing evidence, expressed disbelief at the rules on rights of passage through territorial waters. When a Foreign Office lawyer told the enquiry said that ships sailing through another country's waters did not have to announce their movements, Lord Donaldson said: "The idea that you can go through territorial waters without saying who you are or what you are does seem to me to be very odd."

David Anderson, second legal adviser at the Foreign Office, went on to say that this left Britain free to send a warship into French waters. Lord Donaldson said: "I would have thought a destroyer dredging along one mile of the French coast might cause some excitement."

John MacGregor, the transport secretary, appointed Lord Donaldson, 72, to head the enquiry after the *Braer*, a Liberian-registered tanker, spilled 85,000 tonnes of crude oil when it ran aground on Shetland. The enquiry's remit is to advise on whether further measures to protect Britain's coastline from pollution are appropriate and feasible, taking into account the international and economic implications.

Environmentalists want a tightening up of international maritime laws as a result of the Braer incident. Lawyers from the Advisory Committee on the Protection of the Sea called for reforms to the inspection of ships at yesterday's hearing.



Donaldson: his enquiry may last six months

MATTHEW PARRIS
POLITICAL SKETCH

Major's children twice blessed by the joy of birth

Joe Orton once remarked that the most any boy can expect of his father is that he should be present at the conception.

Somewhat to the astonishment of MPs, John Major yesterday told the House that his own son James had been luckier. James is the only boy in Britain who can honestly say that John Major is the first human being he ever saw.

It was Labour's Michael Connarty (Falkirk E) who elicited the news. During an afternoon otherwise dominated by Bosnia and the public sector borrowing requirement, Connarty asked the PM whether he had known "the sheer joy of being present at the birth of his children". Major leapt to the dispatch box to declare "yes: twice". It seems his daughter Elizabeth shared with James the surprise of arriving in this world to see the expression of considerable pleasure on Mr Major's smiling face.

Is Mr Major the first prime minister to witness the birth of his children? The answer must be no, as his predecessor was undeniably present when Carol and Mark arrived. If there were any way Mrs Thatcher could have pleaded a prior political engagement she would surely have made her excuses and left, so Major may well be the first PM to have been *voluntarily* present at the birth of his children.

Mr Connarty was not intending to be nosy. His purpose was to bewail the nation's increasing recourse to birth by caesarean section, thus denying mothers what Connarty called the "pleasant experience" of ordinary childbirth — a phrase which raised a few eyebrows among lady MPs present. Caesarean births have more than doubled in recent years, to 13 per cent, said Connarty. Mr Major was grateful for this information, which he said he had not known. The question, which should really have been for the health secretary, went way outside a prime minister's responsibilities: but PMs answer on anything these days. The previous question (from Plaid Cymru's Elfyn Llwyd) had been about farm mapping requirements in Central Wales for the EC's integrated administrative control. It received a detailed and knowledgeable reply from the prime minister. Since Lady Thatcher, no detail is beneath a PM's notice.

It used to be different. Take prime minister's questions on 21 April, 1977, 16 years ago. Jim Callaghan was at No. 10. *Hansard* records the occasion . .

Michael Neubert (C, Havering) criticised the rise in gas and electricity prices. Callaghan replied that ministers would be making a statement and it was not for him to add to it. To John Ovenden (Lab, Gravesend) Callaghan snapped: "I should prefer not to go into that" (EC powers) "just now." Wyn Roberts (C, Conway) asked about devolution bills for Scotland and Wales but the PM had "no responsibility for stories that appear in the press".

When Alistair Goodlad (C, Northwich) complained about a rise in petrol tax, Callaghan remarked: "The cabinet have not considered this recently so I have no information." And when Hamish Watt (SNP, Banffshire) asked him to "tell the farmers how to produce meat at £28 per hundredweight" the PM shrugged: "I do not think I can undertake that task." He hardly engaged with a single question.

Prime ministers are changing. It is hard to imagine Jim Callaghan wishing to witness the birth of his children, and quite impossible to imagine him wanting to tell us about it.

DPP says committals can be waste of time

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commission, Mrs Mills has outlined other ways to decide who should have jury trial: the Scottish system, where the prosecutor decides, with a code of practice spelling out the criteria used; a decision by magistrates after representations by prosecution and defence; or variations on both, including a defence right of appeal to the crown court.

On the subject of disclosure of unused evidence to the defence by the prosecution, Mrs Mills said the balance had tipped too far, with possibly hundreds of pieces of paper having to be handed over. As a result, defence lawyers had problems coping and in a many cases sought adjournments.

She and the attorney-general are urging a new code on disclosure, and a requirement for the defence to disclose its case by the time the prosecution has prepared its case and served it on the defence.

"This is not attacking the right of silence," Mrs Mills said. "By the time the defence knows the case against them, at that stage it is reasonable to ask them to state what their defence is." The prosecution could then judge better what evidence would be material to disclose and avoid the expenditure of "enormous quantity of resources".

Other reforms favoured by the DPP include scrapping committal proceedings, which "serve no useful purpose", with a replacement like the automatic "transfer" procedure used for fraud and some children's cases.

Mrs Mills's first year began inauspiciously when she came under fire for not prosecuting West Midlands crime squad officers and for failing to take up the Lord Chief Justice on his offer to give evidence in the Judith Ward case.

But the adverse press comment fuelled her wish to promote a policy of openness. "We are public and we are a service, but we are not serving people unless they know what we are doing."

RAF adapts to new world order

By Michael Evans
Defence Correspondent

RAF Germany, the powerful strike force that helped to keep the peace since it was formed 34 years ago, was yesterday renamed 2 Group, part of the UK-based RAF Strike Command.

The change in status of RAF Germany, the last RAF overseas command, was formally acknowledged in a ceremony at the base at Rheindahlen. RAF [illegible] the Duke of [illegible] started as Second Tactical Force, a British formation created in the second world war to provide support for the Allied invasion of Europe. At the end of the war, it became the British Air Force of Occupation, but it reverted to its former title until 1959 when it was renamed RAF Germany. When the Cold War ended and Germany was unified, its work changed dramatically. Air defence was taken over by Germany and Britain's air contribution to Nato turned to the new strategy of rapid reaction. RAF Germany's operations were cut by 50 per cent. Two of its four bases, RAF Wildenroth and RAF Gütersloh, have closed.

The Tornado GR1 strike force is now concentrated at RAF Brüggen and the Harriers and helicopters operate from RAF Laarbruch. There will be 105 aircraft and helicopters in nine squadrons: four Tornado GR1, two Harrier, two helicopter (Wessex and Puma) and one Andover.

Although never called on to fight in Western Europe, aircraft and crews from RAF Germany saw action in the Falklands, Iraq and Kuwait.

Photograph, page 24

NEWS IN BRIEF

Lilley delays raising women's pension age

Laws which would raise the retirement age for women to 65 could be shelved for at least two years. Peter Lilley, social security secretary, told the Commons social security committee yesterday that no decision had been made and that there would be no early white paper. He had been planning to publish a white paper in the next few weeks supporting a single retirement age for both sexes so that a bill could be included in the Queen's Speech in November.

Mr Lilley is under pressure from John Major and other ministers to defer laws on pension ages, partly because they will be very unpopular and partly because next year's legislation programme is already full. Mr Lilley also confirmed that his department intends to tax invalidity benefit when the Treasury can "get round the difficulties" that have so far prevented this.

Bosnians ordered out

A young Bosnian mother and her two children are to be deported from Britain today because she made an incorrect visa application. Myra Litobac, a Croat married to a Serb, is a refugee from Sarajevo, where her mixed marriage was unacceptable. She arrived from France on April 13 to be with her sister, who lives in Britain. The Home Office said that she should have applied for asylum in the first safe country she reached. Amnesty International has asked for her case to be reconsidered.

Train driver blamed

Reg McEwan, 61, the driver of a Newton-Glasgow train that crashed into another on a single-track line, killing four people, was blamed yesterday for the accident. Sheriff Brian Lockhart said in a report that Mr McEwan, who died in the crash in July 1991, went past a red signal. But Sheriff Lockhart added that the accident could have been avoided if ScotRail had kept the double track on the Newton to Kirkhill line. It was switched only weeks before. The two electric trains crashed at a combined speed of up to 70mph.

Deer gored farmer

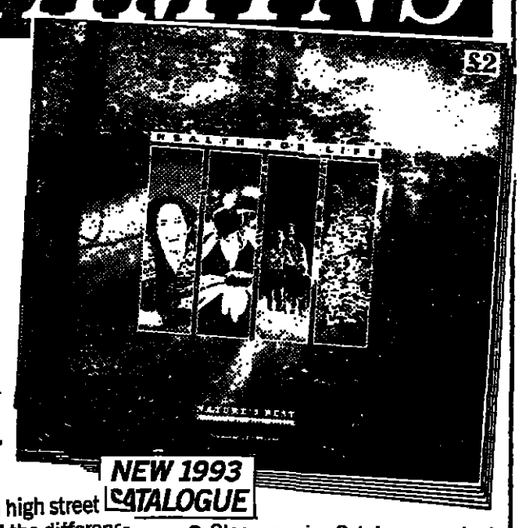
An experienced deer farmer was gored to death by a red stag minutes after feeding the animal, a coroner's court was told. John Baird, 63, from Claudy, co. Londonderry, suffered multiple rib fractures, widespread bruising and other injuries to the upper part of his body, including puncture wounds from the stag's antlers.

World Service threat

More than 200 MPs yesterday supported a motion condemning plans to cut government funding to the BBC World Service by up to £13 million a year for three years. The service, which already faces reductions of £5 million a year for each of the next three years, is alarmed that the Treasury is looking for further cuts of 5 per cent a year.

Daughter for Kasparov

Garry Kasparov became a father yesterday when his wife Masha gave birth to a daughter in Helsinki. They lost their first child through a miscarriage two years ago. The world chess champion said last night he was relieved and delighted that the baby was healthy, and that he would now be able to concentrate on his match with Nigel Short.

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TV companies say sex and violence turn off the viewers

BY ALEXANDRA FREAN
MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

■ **Noddy is outselling *The Sweeney* in the television export market as the entertainment industry sees the end of a bloody trend**

VIEWERS are demanding a return to family entertainment in a backlash against violence, television companies and programme makers said at the Cannes television sales festival yesterday.

There has been a big increase in sales of documentary and drama series at the expense of violent programmes. As concern grows about the effects of bloody scenes on young people, even children are losing their taste for explicitly aggressive cartoons.

Roger Miron, head of sales at Thames Television, said programmes such as *The Sweeney* were not attracting overseas buyers any more. "They don't want gratuitous and unnecessary violence and they don't want sex. What they are looking for are quality thrillers and drama, animation, and programmes that can be shown before the family viewing watershed," he said.

A BBC executive said: "Our major sales this year have been in family entertainment and education, through natural history programmes and drama series like *Between the Lines* and *House of* Eliott, and light entertainment shows including Lenny Henry's *Chef!* and *One Foot in the Grave*."

One of the BBC's most popular programmes at the MIP television market, where stations from around the world meet to buy programmes, has been its animated version of Noddy by Enid Blyton. It has been sold to French television and has attracted wide interest.

Another big seller, reflecting the younger age of the average cinema audience, has been *The Animals of Farthing Wood*, a European Broadcasting Union co-production. The animated programme tells the story of a group of woodland creatures fighting for survival as their environment is threatened by development. It will be shown on children's television in European countries this year.

Susan Crawley, head of international sales for Yorkshire Television, said there was clear evidence that programme buyers, particularly from the United States, were showing a much more caring attitude in their choice of material.

"People no longer want the kind of saturation violence and sensationalism that we have seen in the last ten years," she said. "They do not want to feel that they have been hit over the head with a brick every time they turn on the set, and are demanding a much more sophisticated and sensitive approach."

Yorkshire Television's best-selling programmes at MIP have all been documentaries. Its *First Tuesday* programme about the Siamese twins Katie and Eilish Holton attracted a record audience for a factual programme on CBS in America and has attracted huge interest at Cannes.

Arthur C. Clarke's *Mysterious World*, a 26-part series investigating phenomena such as UFOs and the Bermuda Triangle, has also attracted buyers from around the world.

Xavier Roy, chief executive of Midem, which organised the festival, said the move away from the culture of violence that had dominated television for ten years would mean significant changes for the industry.

"In an industry where the value of the worldwide programme export market alone is estimated to be worth some $3.4 billion [£2.2 billion], we cannot afford to ignore these trends. People do not want old-fashioned violence any more," he said.

The Independent Television Commission has given approval for a new cable and satellite television network in the United Kingdom that will concentrate on family viewing. The Family Channel will begin broadcasting in September and aims to provide at least ten hours of family entertainment a day.

Tim Robertson, chief executive of International Family Entertainment, which owns the new channel, said: "Our tests conducted in the UK showed beyond doubt that viewers are eager for these kinds of programmes."



BBC best-sellers: *One Foot in the Grave*, starring Richard Wilson, and Lenny Henry's series *Chef!*

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Global appeal: the actor Sam Wanamaker in front of one of the new sections of Shakespeare's Globe theatre in Southwark, south London. To mark the Bard's birthday on Friday, the German Bremer Shakespeare Company will perform *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, the first Shakespeare play on the Globe site since 1644. Leading article, page 15; Wanamaker's Globe, page 35

British film producers demand levy on US-owned cinemas

BY ALISON ROBERTS, ARTS REPORTER

AMERICAN-OWNED cinemas should be forced to share their profits with the ailing British film industry, leading figures in British film will tell Peter Brooke, the heritage secretary.

Mr Brooke is to hold nine meetings with film producers, distributors and directors as part of a review of government policy on the film industry, which is expected to lead to a white paper later this year.

The minister will be told that American film distributors and cinema owners, who currently send all profits back to the US, should give a percentage to the film-makers.

Wilf Stevenson, director of the British Film Institute (BFI), said that the industry would not approach Mr Brooke with a begging bowl, but a package of tax incentives and concessions would help to rebuild film production.

Others in the industry remain sceptical about the government's commitment to British film. Paul Bradley, executive producer of Merchant Ivory's *Howards End*, feared that the meetings with Mr Brooke could turn into "a toothless PR exercise".

Film-makers were disappointed at last year's budget, which produced some tax concessions but cost the government only £5 million in 1992. Last year, 25 films were made here and financed by mainly British sources. Virtually all domestic films are now low-budget collaborations, often with television companies. Despite the cheaper pound, American film-makers are still reluctant to come to Britain.

Wool stores become Henry Moore centre

THE first sculpture study centre of its kind in Europe, the Henry Moore Institute, opens to the public tomorrow (Paul Wilkinson writes). It is built in the shell of three 19th century wool warehouses in the heart of Leeds, the West Yorkshire city where Moore was a student.

The centre's opening is the culmination of a five-year plan to provide purpose-built facilities for international exhibitions and the study of sculpture from all countries and periods.

The site was specifically selected for its close associations with Moore, who was born a few miles away in Castleford. The centre is only a few hundred yards from the Leeds School of Art, where he began his studies, and is linked by a footbridge to Leeds City Art Gallery, which has a Henry Moore gallery.

The £5 million cost of conversion to an exhibition area, audio-visual lecture theatre and specialist library has been met by the Henry Moore Foundation, the country's wealthiest private art foundation, which was set up by the sculptor in 1977 to promote his medium.

Police accused of faking bomb notes

BY RICHARD DUCE

THREE policemen investigating the IRA pub bombings in Guildford fabricated confession evidence against one of the accused to secure his conviction, the Old Bailey was told yesterday.

Handwritten notes claimed to have been made at the time of Patrick Armstrong admitting his part in the planting of a bomb that killed five people at the Horse and Groom pub in 1974 were fabricated much later, the court was told.

Julian Bevan QC, for the prosecution, said that the three officers conspired together after interviewing Mr Armstrong to write notes that would link him to two bombs in Guildford. The "contemporaneous" notes were drawn up after the three Surrey officers prepared typed notes of the confessions. There later proved to be marked dissimilarities between the two, Mr Bevan said.

At the trial of the Guildford Four in 1975, the prosecution case against Mr Armstrong rested solely on confession evidence. He was jailed for life, with Gerard Conlon, Paul Hill and Carole Richardson, for their part in the Guildford bombings and another in Woolwich, southeast London. Fourteen years later, the convictions were quashed by the Court of Appeal.

The former policemen Vernon Attwell, 52, John Donaldson, 57, and Thomas Style, 59, deny that, between December 1974 and October 1975, they conspired to pervert the course of justice by manufacturing notes purporting to be contemporary interviews with Mr Armstrong.

Mr Bevan told the jury: "The said truth is that these so-called contemporaneous notes were not contemporaneous at all but had been compiled after the interview. It is the Crown case that these three defendants lied about the origin of these notes in order to bolster their own case." He said that at Armstrong's trial the three had denied that Armstrong had been hit or that answers were the result of suggestion.

Mr Bevan said that it was not until 1989 when the Guildford Four case was referred to the Court of Appeal that the fabricated evidence was uncovered among 29,000 pieces of paper in records.

Officers from Avon and Somerset police were called in by the home secretary to investigate Surrey's handling of the case and a woman detective inspector analysed the file kept on Mr Armstrong. Mr Bevan said: "She compared the rough-typed notes with the handwritten, allegedly contemporaneous notes and it is quite plain that, having compared the two one against the other, senior police officers were alerted to the possibility that the rough-typed notes had been created before the allegedly contemporaneous notes."

Mr Bevan listed examples where extra words, and in one case a whole passage, appeared in the typed notes which were not included in the handwritten notes. One example of typed notes had police putting the name of an IRA suspect to Mr Armstrong but in the handwritten notes Mr Armstrong had volunteered the name.

The trial continues today.

Car importers deny £97m tax fraud

BY A STAFF REPORTER

AN ASSISTANT managing director of Nissan UK helped to swindle the Inland Revenue out of nearly £100 million in an international fraud of "massive proportions", the Central Criminal Court was told yesterday.

Peter Rook QC, for the prosecution, said that Michael Hunt, 59, based at the company's headquarters in Worthing, East Sussex, was involved in siphoning £219 million from the company's profits over 17 years. Mr Hunt and other "sophisticated fraudsters", including Swiss bankers and Octav Botnar, the company's former chairman, "laundered" the money through bank accounts in Geneva, he said. To cover their tracks they used "a morass of false documentation" and sham shipping agents in Holland and Norway.

Mr Hunt, from Hove, East Sussex, denies two counts of conspiracy to cheat the Inland Revenue out of corporation tax and two charges of conspiracy to make use of false accounting documents.

Nissan UK, a privately owned British company that imports and distributes cars, is a separate operation from the Japanese car manufacturer Nissan Motor Company. It won a franchise to import cars from Nissan in 1971. By 1983, its marketing techniques had made the vehicles Britain's best-selling import.

On the first day of the trial, expected to last six months, the court was told that Mr Hunt inflated freight charges, making the company's profits appear much lower. In this way, the alleged conspirators cheated the Inland Revenue out of £97 million.

It is alleged that false invoices, agreements and correspondence were produced and false figures entered into the accounting records from inflated transport charges on cars from Japan. Members of the jury have computer screens on their tables from which to refer to documents and photographs, transmitted to them from other computers in the court. The jury is sitting at Chichester Rents, a part of the Central Criminal Court where long trials are held.

Mr Rook said that he would be calling witnesses from Britain, Japan, Holland, Germany, Norway, Austria, Bermuda and Panama. He told the jury: "You will see straight away the international flavour of this fraud. One of reasons for the international flavour is that the conspirators attempted to hide their tracks." The court was told that two Swiss bankers were named in the charges as being part of the plot and that the trail would lead to two Swiss bank accounts. It had not been possible to issue a warrant for the arrest of Mr Botnar, as he was believed to be in Switzerland.

Mr Rook said that among the documents uncovered by investigators were bogus shipping agency agreements. "For the fraud to operate, it was necessary to have in place a sham shipping agent which would hold out as its duty the performance of certain functions for Nissan UK so that inflated payments could be justified." He said the freight invoices were inflated by as much as 60 per cent.

Lesbian couple win right to foster

BY A STAFF REPORTER

A LESBIAN couple won a three-year struggle to become foster parents when a decision to bar them because of their sexuality was overturned yesterday.

The couple, one a businesswoman and the other a former nurse and the mother of two children, were the first to be rejected as foster parents solely because they were lesbians. Social services staff at Hampshire County Council had supported the women's application, which was made in 1990, after a series of interviews and checks.

However, at meetings earlier this year, councillors refused to give the women, both in their thirties, final approval. A leaked memo from the council's social services committee said: "It is not in the interest of children being looked after by the county council to be placed in the care of a lesbian couple." But councillors supported the women's appeal yesterday and overturned the earlier ban.

The women, who asked not to be identified, answered an advertisement to become foster parents in 1990. The national demand for foster places has increased as children's homes have closed and foster agencies have encouraged single people and homosexual couples to apply. The women had vowed to go to the High Court unless the council changed its mind.

"We are overjoyed and are happy that at last we can help children who are in need," one said. "We could never believe that we were turned down because of our sexuality. We have been treated very badly, but what is important is that we now put that behind us, and get on with helping children."

The National Foster Care Association said there was little research on children brought up by lesbian couples and no evidence that it harmed them.

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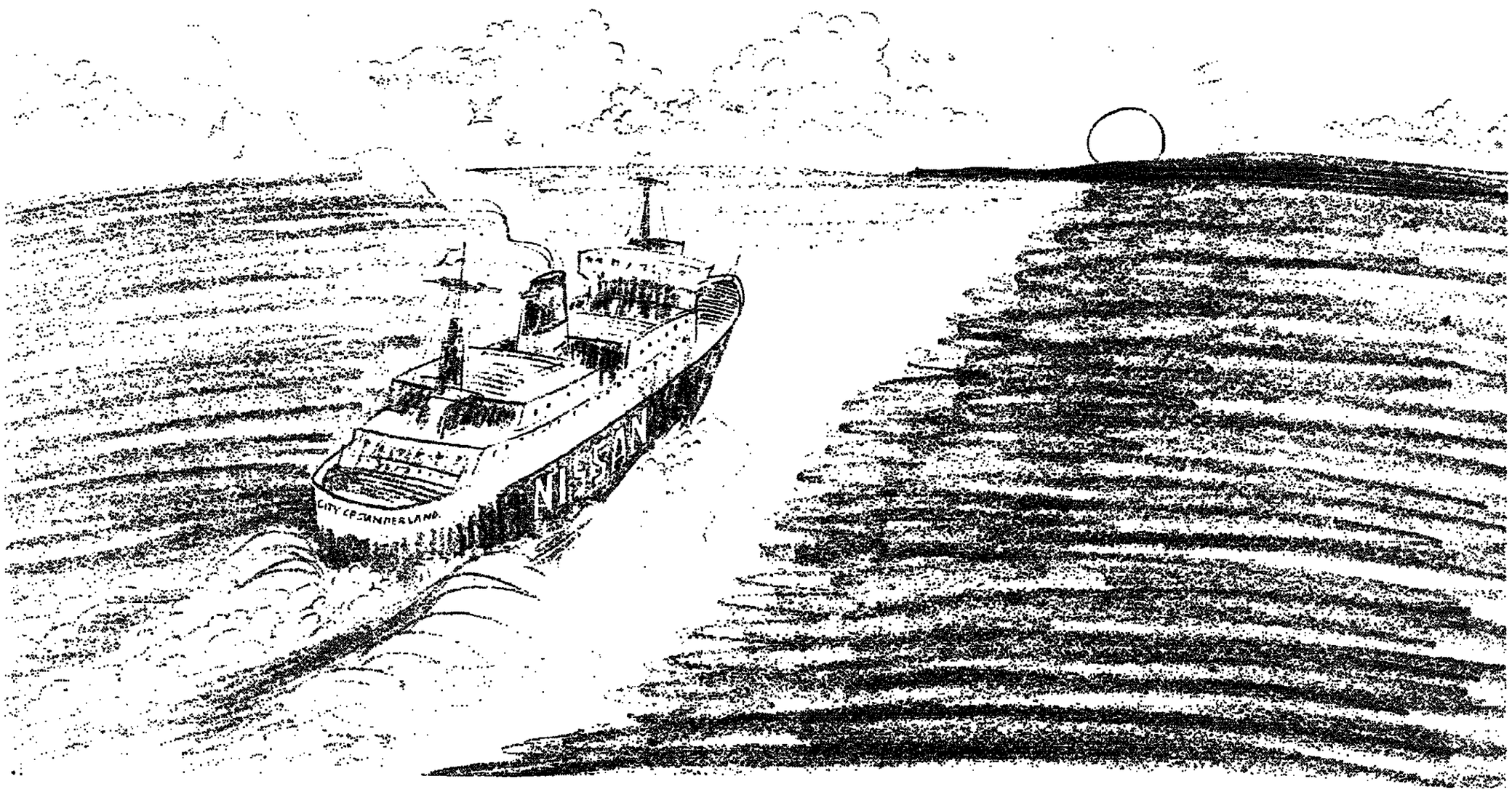
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Staff at risk of prosecution for emotional abuse

Union tells teachers not to shout

BY BEN PRESTON, EDUCATION REPORTER

TEACHERS are being warned not to shout repeatedly at misbehaving children for fear of falling foul of the law.

New guidelines issued by the Association of Teachers and Lecturers say the constant rebuking of pupils who disrupt lessons leaves teachers vulnerable to charges of emotional abuse under the Children Act.

The advice, expected to form the basis of guidance endorsed by all six teaching unions, follows mounting concern at the increase in false and malicious accusations of child abuse brought by pupils under the new law. The act, introduced 20 months ago, was primarily designed to protect individual children in "at risk" families and pupils in residential and special schools.

But the number of allegations from pupils in ordinary schools has risen sharply without any increase in teacher convictions. Complaints have arisen from such commonplace incidents as a teacher sending a child out of a class or physically separating fighting pupils. Teaching unions are worried because once an accusation is made it must be investigated by the school, with teachers often suspended pending official enquiries by police and social services.

The ATL advice says there might be times when it is necessary for teachers to raise their voice in classrooms to regain order and discipline. "Teachers should, however, be aware that constant shouting or rebuking of certain pupils may be tantamount to emotional abuse," it says. "A child may feel 'singled out' or 'victimised' by a teacher and perceive a teacher's remarks as a personal vendetta."

The guidelines urge teachers to seek advice and support from superiors when they need to discipline individuals regularly to avoid a complaint from the child's parents or a disciplinary hearing. The union also says that the blanket detention of a whole class after school can result in the teacher and school being accused of false imprisonment following a recent court case.

Peter Smith, ATL general secretary, said: "There is not a parent in the country who has not raised their voice to their child, no matter how angelic. If a teacher does that they face the distinct possibility of a charge of emotional abuse. This is patently ridiculous."

Sir Rhodes Boyson, Conservative MP for Brent North and a former education minister and headmaster, said it was tragic that a teacher union felt compelled to issue such advice. "We have enough trouble trying to keep order in schools without nonsense like this. We are getting to the point where teachers will just give up and leave discipline to the police."

Jerry Bartlett, legal officer for the National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers, said that the number of members facing serious allegations had doubled to 134 since the act was passed, while convictions had halved to just three. "It is ludicrous for teachers to have to consider the law before raising their voice in the classroom," he said.

Gill Sage, ATL solicitor, who drew up the guidelines, said: "Teachers have been left totally powerless in a confrontational society. They are losing their authority and pupils are losing their respect."

Ms Sage said that most worrying was the emergence of streetwise children who realised that by making malicious allegations of abuse they could deflect attention from their misdemeanours.

☐ The view that shouting at children might amount to a breach of the law prompted an incredulous reaction from the Children's Legal Centre yesterday (Frances Gibb writes).

Maureen O'Hare, a lawyer at the centre, said that its helpline had been contacted over discipline, but that usually involved shaking or hitting. "To my knowledge we have never had a complaint about a teacher shouting," she said. There was no law on shouting.



Smith: teachers' plight "patently ridiculous"



Sir Rhodes: "Teachers will just give up"

SIMON WALKER



Polar partners: Nicola Cole, 34, hopes to be the first woman to walk to the North Pole. Ms Cole, from London, will travel with Robert Swan, the first person to walk to both poles, and six others. They begin the trek this weekend

Why the vital part of yelling is not to lose your temper

BY IAN MURRAY

PEOPLE who have made a living out of shouting agreed yesterday that it never pays to bellow in anger.

Lord Weatherill, who ran an especially unruly class of more than 630 MPs from the Speaker's chair for nearly a decade, quoted Seneca: authority is best achieved by he who commands gently. "Feigned anger and feigned exasperation is sometimes a useful weapon, but it is very dangerous to lose your wick," he said.

Tom Taylor, messenger sergeant major of the Queen's bodyguard and Yeoman of the Guard, was regimental sergeant major of the Grenadier Guards and for nine years trained officer cadets at Sandhurst in how to shout. Now 70, he speaks like an army text book: "You have to conduct them. Stand on a table and tell them to fill their lungs with air. Cut them off and then wave a stick to make them shout in time.

"The executive word has to be bitten off to make them move. Sloppy word of command means sloppy drill. Give a man a rocket in a loud voice, with a proper tone of command. Not necessary to be harsh, and no swearing on the square."

Stephen Clark, chairman of the Livestock Auctioneers' Association, has been selling country property, fine art and cattle for the past 40 years. "It's all a bit like acting. You need voice control like a singer. The skill is to pick the right phrase to induce people to make that one extra bid. Sometimes if you drop your voice lower and lower, the room gets more and more worked up. You don't need to shout to be heard, but it does depend a bit on what you are selling."

Chris Leftwich, chief inspector to the Fishmongers' Company, accepted that his trade had a reputation for the loudest shouting. "If you were a shy retiring character standing round Billingsgate you would never sell anything," he said. "It is all due to the market environment, but I find it useful sometimes in the classroom when I am teaching students coming in from the pub. It is the best way to wake them up."

Simple rebuke led to two-month dispute

BY OUR EDUCATION REPORTER

IT WAS just another lesson for Mrs X. A teacher for more than 20 years, she ticked off a pupil who had forgotten her homework. The girl muttered something rude. After a brief exchange, the teacher told the girl to leave the classroom.

This trivial incident led to almost two months of confrontation and tortuous negotiation. A week later, the teacher was called to see the head and informed that the girl had filed a complaint under the Children Act for using "inappropriate words".

She said: "I thought it was black comedy. I nearly laughed when I heard the complaint was filed under the Children Act. It just seemed so ridiculous that such a trifling incident should have reached that sort of proportion." Not until another ten days had passed was the teacher shown a copy of the girl's account of the incident. "It was a lie. An attack upon my integrity and authority," she said. "I could not sleep because of the anxiety and not knowing what was going on."

The teacher was off sick for seven weeks. Her union and solicitor exchanged letters with the school. It emerged later that the girl was 18 and too old to be covered by the Children Act. The matter was settled internally.

"Everybody lost out," Mrs X said. "I got behind with my work, the children missed the continuity of education — all for the sake of one child aggrieved at being sent out of a lesson and having support in law to take things further."

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1,400 active groups range from the destructive to the merely dotty

Cult-watchers fight among themselves as recruiters thrive

By Christopher Elliott and Angela Mackay

RELIGIOUS FRINGES

THE past 25 years have seen tremendous growth in the number of new religious movements and cults active in Britain. There are now about 1,400, according to Inform, the government-backed monitoring agency which is itself at the centre of a dispute.

The groups range from the massive Church of Scientology to Chris and Emma, a pair of New Age Devon gurus believed by their followers to be Enlightened Masters.

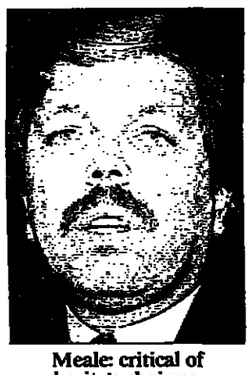
The difficulty is in distinguishing the oppressive and ultimately destructive cults from the benign, or merely dotty. Cult watchers in Britain estimate that about 500 groups fit the description of a cult.

American cults seeking converts in Britain are regular visitors. Ursula Mackenzie, spokeswoman for Families, Action, Information, Rescue, a support group for families who have members involved in cults, said it was very common for American cult members to trawl parts of Britain looking for converts. One of the most recent visits was from Eternal Flame, an Arizona-based sect which proclaims that its members will live for ever.

Mrs Mackenzie said: "Three of their leaders have been here twice in the last couple of years. We received calls from people concerned about relatives selling up homes to go and live in Arizona."

After more than two decades of scandals surrounding the proselytising by such cults there are signs of change. Many of the major groups are softening their image, changing their names and moving ever further into business.

Whether this is a genuine shift in attitudes or a tactical move is the subject of fierce debate among people who monitor their progress and is at the heart of a big dispute among the cult watchers in Britain. There has been a running battle for some years between the all-party cults group of MPs and Inform.



Meale: critical of charity's chairmon

Inform, or Information Network Focus on Religious Movements, is a registered charity which has received nearly £250,000 from the government and is backed by a wide group of churchmen and academics. Its chairman, Professor Eileen Barker of the London School of Economics, has admitted taking research trips paid for by the Unification Church but has always maintained that this was before she became chairwoman and that they were essential for research. Alan Meale, Labour MP for Mansfield and joint secretary for the cults group, said yesterday that he would be calling for her dismissal in the Commons. He said: "I think she should be sacked. She consistently calls them new religious movements rather than cults and has taken a great number of trips which have been paid for by the Moonies. I think this is wrong for someone in her position."

> **'You can't legislate because you cannot differentiate between the Church of England and a cult'**

Professor Barker said: "I'm not neutral, in the sense that if I find that the cults have been doing something criminal I go straight to the police. Mr Meale has got me completely wrong. It sounds as if I had a wonderful time, living in the lap of luxury. Actually, it was very hard work. That was my way of having to find out what was going on. It would have been irresponsible not to have gone."

David Wilshire, the Conservative MP for Spelthorne, is joint secretary with Mr Meale of the all-party group. He said: "You can't legislate against cults because you can't define them. How do you differentiate between the Church of England and a cult? I don't know. But you can supervise them by working within the existing law. If you offer a religious belief you are offering a service. When the Roman Catholic Church sends leaflets through your door they are absolutely spot on and you know what you are getting. But when many of these cults distribute literature, it is grossly misleading."

The following are some of the hundreds of cults in Britain:

☐ **The Church of Scientology.** Founded in 1950 by Lafayette Ronald Hubbard based on his book, *Dianetics, the modern science of mental health*. The group came to Britain in 1952 and bought a 42-acre estate in Sussex which became the world headquarters until 1968 when the government banned foreign Scientologists. The ban was lifted in 1980 and it is believed UK membership is now about 100,000. Dianetics is a form of psychotherapy that is hostile to mainstream psychiatry, drugs and ECT therapies. More than 120 courses are available, costing between £200 and £4,000.

☐ **Unification Church** (Moonies). Founded by Sun Myung Moon, a Korean, in 1954. First UK and US centres were established in the 1960s and reached a peak in 1978-9. Doctrine is contained in the "divine principle", a reinterpretation of the Bible with added elements of eastern philosophy and numerology. Behaviour is strictly regulated: no smoking, drinking, alcohol or pre-marital sex. Mass marriage ceremonies unite former "brothers and sisters", the largest to date being the marriage of 6,516 couples in Seoul in 1988.

☐ **Central London Church of Christ.** An offshoot of the original Churches of Christ but now disowned by them. Led by Kip McKean in the US and Fred Scott in Britain, the outwardly fundamentalist Christian sect tries to recruit mostly at universities, leading to several campus bans in Britain. Some members live normally but most are encouraged to live in accommodation rented by the disciplinarian cult. Contact with families is encouraged only when the family approves of the church.

☐ **Star-Borne Unlimited.** A New Age group from America that has just arrived in Britain. Based on astrology and led by a woman called Solara Antara Ama-Raa, the group aims to develop "multi-dimensional awareness that enables followers to fully embody their starry overself". Two-day workshops cost £80 and have been held in London and Glastonbury.

☐ **Chris & Emma.** A New Age couple from Totnes, Devon, who refer to themselves as "enlightened masters" and claim about 25 followers.



Help-line: Ursula Mackenzie advises families of people involved with cults

Therapists will use sympathy to wean survivors from faith

By Nigel Hawkes, Science Editor

SURVIVORS of the Waco siege will need counselling rather than intensive deprogramming, British experts believe. The 1970s fashion for kidnapping cult members and subjecting them to long sessions of argument to "break their faith" has fallen into disrepute, not least because it is illegal and expensive.

The trend today is towards exit counselling, a form of therapy similar to that given to ex-hostages. Dr Laurence Brown, a psychologist who is director of the Alister Hardy Research Centre at Oxford, said: "It is necessary for these people, who have been through a real crisis, to be dealt with sympathetically, rather than in a hostile fashion.

"Hostility implies that they made a mistake initially in joining the cult, and that's not a very helpful attitude to take."

Dr Elizabeth Tylden, a psychiatrist who has been counselling people leaving cult religions for the past 20 years, says members will have gone through the ultimate bereavement.

"You are talking about people who have put their friendship networks, jobs, financial security and all their interests in one basket — and lost the lot," she says. Former cult members who had undergone similar experiences could give invaluable help, but recovery was almost always a long-term process — and one which some people might never manage.

Ursula Mackenzie, from the organisation Family Action Research and Rescue, opposes deprogramming because, she says, "it seems to offer the same black-and-white choice as the cult". In her experience, people converted in this way often begin to work against the cult with as much fervour as they once supported it.

"It's better to work slowly, to befriend the person, to get to know them, and to draw them out" she says. Deprogramming, which almost always involved force, was absolutely the last resort.

Steven Hassan, a former Moonie and author of a book, *Combating Cult Mind Control*, says that even if conventional deprogramming is successful, the cult member's anger and resentment can take years to dissipate. His technique involves careful briefing of families to work as a team, with ex-members of the cult, to try to shake the certainty with which most cult members cling to their beliefs.

Cults are a psychological trap, he says, so it is first necessary to convince the member that he is in a trap. "Second, I show him that he didn't originally choose to enter a trap. Third, I point out that other people in other groups are in similar traps.

"Fourth, I tell him that it is possible to get out of the trap. While these four points might seem very obvious to people outside a cult, they are not at all immediately apparent to anyone under mind control."

Dr James Thompson, a psychologist from the Middlesex Hospital, agrees that deprogramming is inappropriate. "Anyone can believe whatever they want, and we must respect that right. Some may seek psychological help, but others will not," he says. Past events suggest that the faith of people inside the compound during the siege might even be strengthened by the experience. "My prediction is that they may want to become evangelical about the cult and will be seeking recruits for it.

COUNSELLING

"One way of dealing with an apparently senseless event is by giving it a special explanation that involves belief, and seeking converts to that belief. The biggest example of that is Christianity."

☐ The success of the 1988 recruitment drive by Waco's self-styled messiah shocked the pastors of the Seventh Day Adventists, who have preferred to explain away Koresh's success in attracting their members by pointing to his "Rasputin-like" qualities (Jamie Dettmer writes). Dr Hugh Dunton, a lecturer at the church's college in Berkshire, said that Koresh bombarded the students he talked to with 17 hours of speeches, "mentally zapped" them and prepared them to "take what he said at face value".

The Seventh Day Adventists are just one of many fundamentalist groups which offer certainty to those who wish to escape the doubts and compromise inherent in mainstream Christianity.



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Relatives say FBI is partly to blame for siege's bloody outcome

By Ronald Faux and Paul Wilkinson

THE FBI should have known that the followers of David Koresh were likely to die in a mass murder or suicide if an assault was launched on the Waco compound, relatives of British victims and members of the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Britain said yesterday.

Two sisters of one of the two British survivors, Derek Lovelock, from Manchester, flew to America yesterday to see him in hospital as anger grew among relatives, many of whom blamed the FBI for the violent outcome.

Samuel Henry, whose wife and five children died in the inferno, attacked the FBI for their handling of the 51-day stand-off. "I don't think they did care about the folk in the compound any more. They got a bit bored, tired of the situation and wanted to end it in spite of the outcome." He said he was shocked that the authorities did not have any fire engines standing by. "The cult leader David Koresh had talked about fire and it was amazing the fire service took so long to get to the scene."

Mr Henry, a Seventh Day Adventist from Manchester, said that all along he had feared Koresh would instigate mass suicide. "That is exactly what he chose to do and the FBI should have taken that possibility more seriously too. I know the FBI did what they thought was for the best but it turned out to be for the worst. Koresh said he would die in 1993 but he didn't say he'd take all these people with him."

He met Koresh during a visit to Waco in 1989. "As soon as I saw him I knew he was an evil man. I could tell right away he was another Jim Jones, the religious leader who persuaded 900 of his followers to commit suicide."

Fitzroy Fagan, 63, of Carlton, Nottingham, who lost his wife and daughter, said the FBI was partly responsible. "I am very bitter about it. The FBI made a cock-up from the beginning and then they went back in to do it again. It was obvious what was going to happen and yet there were no fire engines on site."

Mr Fagan's son Livingston, 32, who recruited the Nottingham members to the cult, walked out of the Waco compound unharmed several weeks ago after a disagreement with Koresh. He had gone to Texas last year with his wife Yvette, 30, and mother Adina, 61, both of whom are thought to have died. His children Renee, 6, and Nehara, 4, were released several weeks ago and are believed to have returned to Britain.

BRITISH REACTION

Nellie Morrison, 65, of Fallowfield, Manchester, whose daughter Rosemary and grandchild Melissa, 6, died, said: "I knew it would end in tragedy. I am only glad that the wicked man Koresh died too. I can't understand why the FBI burst in the way they did. I was screaming in front of the television when pictures of the camp were shown."

Ifhegenia Avraam, mother of Renos Avraam, 29, one of the two British survivors, said she was hoping to talk to him by telephone. Mrs Avraam, of north London, added: "My family did not sleep last night thinking about Renos. We saw all the trouble there and all the flames and we all started crying out for Renos."

Winnie Lovelock, of Manchester, whose son Derek also survived the fire, said: "I am so thankful that Derek has escaped. I had a heart operation six weeks ago and am not well enough to fly out there to see him myself but Lorraine and Yvonne [his sisters] are going out and hopefully they will be able to see Derek later today. All I know is that Derek has had a miraculous escape. I can't wait for him to come home and for us all to be together again."

Norman Shaw, an elder of the Seventh Day Adventists in Nottinghamshire, which lost at least six of its members to the Branch Davidian sect, said he was not surprised at the fire. "The FBI said they were not expecting anything like that, but I'm afraid I was. They didn't understand the motives for going out to this place. They were talking in terms of Armageddon. They thought they were the only ones being true to God."

Steve Palmer, a pastor with the Seventh Day Adventists in Nottingham who met Koresh in 1989 in Berkshire when the cult leader was visiting Britain, said: "Even then I could tell that the man was demonic. I could tell by the look in his eyes and by his mannerisms. He was a mind manipulator who took advantage of vulnerable people who were seeking for some sort of truth."

Many of the Britons who died at Waco had connections with the Seventh Day Adventist Church. At the church's British headquarters in Watford, Paul Tompkins said local pastors would be offering counselling to relatives of whose who died at Waco, although the church had no connection with the Branch Davidians. He said: "Our people have been with them since the start of the siege. We can only care for them, for anyone who has relatives caught up in this terrible tragedy. I can't comment on the FBI's actions as we don't know exactly what happened."

He added: "If people want to follow these people there's nothing you can do. The church put out warnings concerning this group, informing the membership and their pastors that these people were recruiting from our church."

Paul Horslen, the brother-in-law of Winston Blake, a Nottingham factory worker who was shot when the siege began, rejected suggestions that it had ended in mass suicide. He said: "It was mass murder by Koresh. Those people were held there against their wills by his manipulation."



Cult victims: Sandra Hardail, above, and Rosemary Morrison with daughter Melissa, who are feared dead

Hollywood sells tale of slaughter to Britain

By Alexandra Frean
Media Correspondent

THE story of the Waco siege is already being turned into a television film, starring the American actor Timothy Daly as David Koresh.

With the calculating foresight that now characterises the American film industry, the producers Kenneth Kaufman and Tom Patchett started the screenplay several weeks ago and have already begun production of *Ambush in Waco*, a 95-minute film with a budget of $3.4 million (£2.2 million).

Billed as "a fascinating tale of power and manipulation", the film will be shown on the NBC television network in America on May 24 and it has already been sold to the UK, although its distributor, World International Network (WIN), will not say which British company has bought it. Andrew Richter, head of development and acquisitions at WIN, said the film was part of a series of television films made under the title *In the Line of Duty*, which concentrates on police who had been killed. He said: "*Ambush in Waco* is the story of two groups of people, the federal officials who first initiated contact with the cult, and David Koresh and his followers."

THE FILM

The film went on sale at the MIP television programme market in Cannes, France, this week and it attracted interest from television stations around the world.

Daly, who starred in the film *Wings*, portrays Koresh as obsessed by sex and power. The script tells the story of his life, from a religious upbringing in Texas, through a failed career as a guitarist in California, to his return to Texas as a messianic leader. The tragic ending to the siege has yet to be written for the film.

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Dawn telephone call started countdown to apocalypse



Koresh: promised to save the children

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN WACO

FOR the cult members holed up in their fortified compound, Monday must have started as just another day in the seven-week confrontation. It had gone on so long that for both besieged and besiegers the stand-off had developed its own peculiar rhythm.

The authorities had not blasted the compound with music and searchlights, as they had on previous nights, but the cultists probably had no inkling of the FBI's intentions. When the telephone call came at 5.50am, by the spartan regime of the cult, most members would already have been awake praying, reading the Bible or listening to a sermon by their messiah, David Koresh. Some might have been up all night, watching the agents from the compound tower for any signs of an assault. They might have noticed the armoured vehicles in the fields.

Steve Schneider, Koresh's second-in-command and a key figure during the negotiations, picked up the telephone: the message from the FBI was curt, according to a local television station, and told the cult members to surrender immediately or gas would be introduced to the compound.

Furious, Schneider slammed the receiver down and hurled the telephone out of the window, breaking the wire. Later, the cult members indicated that they wanted to re-establish a telephone link, and permission was given to them to attempt to reconnect the line, but without success. By then the assault on the compound was underway.

At about 6am, members of the watching media were warned to take cover as tanks approached the building. Minutes later, an armoured vehicle with a gas-propelling boom smashed through the front of the building, leaving a gash some 10 feet square, and CS gas began spreading.

Presumably wearing gas masks, the cult members sent volleys of gunfire crashing into the vehicle, apparently without injuring the agents inside. Two hours later the vehicle returned, punching a second hole into the first floor of the building while another tank rammed the rear. In all, the compound was struck 10 or 11 times by the tanks. More gas was introduced with every assault.

At 10.30am, Bob Ricks, an FBI agent, gave a news conference at which he announced that the assault on the compound would continue all day, until the adults' gas masks were no longer effective or the group surrendered. Perhaps Koresh, who was known to listen to the live radio broadcast of the FBI's daily press conference, heard that announcement and chose martyrdom and mass murder.

The FBI has said it believes many, perhaps most, of the cult members took refuge from the gas in a concrete-lined room on the south side of the building. According to survivors, Koresh had promised that the children would be put in a protected spot — a bus settled in concrete on the west side of the complex. Koresh failed to fulfil this promise. The children were apparently herded to an upstairs room where they later died. The promise to protect them was, the FBI said afterwards, Koresh's "final lie."

Shortly after midday the tanks returned, battering another large hole in the side of the compound. Five minutes later two, possibly three, people were seen lighting fires in various parts of the compound using lantern fuel, according to survivors. Within minutes, flames began to lick up the compound walls and smoke poured from windows.

The FBI says that just before the fire took hold, gunfire was heard from within the building, possibly indicating suppression of a last-minute revolt by some of Koresh's followers. One body found in the ashes reportedly has a bullet hole through the head.

Just nine of the occupants survived, some unwillingly. One man climbed onto the roof but indicated to circling helicopters that he did not want to be rescued; another waited on a burning section of roof, even when the tanks approached to offer him an escape. He finally fell from the roof, burning; the flames were put out by agents.

Within 20 minutes of the first puffs of smoke, most of the compound was in flames. Explosions, presumed to be of ammunition, sent balls of flame into the black sky.

Throughout the grim self-destruction, the Davidians appeared to maintain, for the most part, the extraordinary discipline born of fanaticism and the hero worship they have shown throughout the encounter. There was no panic, it seems, as the group met its horrible end.

The last moments of the doomed cult will always be a matter of speculation, but they are only too easy to imagine: huddled together, praying and listening to Koresh proclaiming, in his high, ranting voice, that the long-promised armageddon and eternal life were at hand.

Texas inferno adds to blighted image of 100 Clinton days

BY MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON AND BEN MACINTYRE

■ The Waco fiasco will probably ensure the president fails to get positive reviews when the critics deliver their verdicts on the initial stages of his administration

PRESIDENT Clinton has no intention of asking for the resignation of Janet Reno, the US attorney-general, in the wake of the Waco disaster and took full responsiblity, the White House said yesterday.

Dee Dee Myers, the White House spokeswoman, said that Mr Clinton stood behind Miss Reno "100 per cent".

Mr Clinton was "briefed about the decision, he okayed it, and he accepts full responsibility for it", said Ms Myers, adding that the White House had ordered a full investigation on the disaster. The president had telephoned Miss Reno on Monday night and told her: "You should sleep well. You did a good job today."

President Clinton completes 100 days in office a week tomorrow, and America's commentators and columnists will deliver their customary verdicts on the new president's performance. He badly needs positive reviews to enhance his clout in Congress, but the Waco fiasco will most probably ensure the opposite.

The president cannot be held personally responsible for the cult's mass suicide. And with the exception of the *New York Times*, which condemned the FBI's tear-gas attack as "ill-conceived and unwarranted", the US media and congressmen were remarkably restrained in their criticism of the agency's tactics. But the tragedy is nevertheless likely to damage Mr Clinton in two ways. First, it associates his young administration with failure and poor judgement. Second, the man once labelled "Slick Willie" is in danger of being seen as trying to pass the buck.

As The Wall Street Journal recalled yesterday, President Reagan's victory over the air traffic controllers' union at the outset of his presidency gave his administration a priceless aura of invincibility. By contrast, Mr Clinton's first 100 days will likely be remembered primarily for the row over gays in the military, anguished indecision over Bosnia and now the Waco debacle. Recovering from that sort of image is hard.

The White House's early attempts to distance Mr Clinton from what had happened were widely commented on yesterday despite later attempts to reverse that impression.

While Miss Reno was out taking the flak on Monday, Mr Clinton stayed mostly behind closed doors. "Talk to the attorney-general or the FBI. I knew it was going to be done, but the decision was entirely theirs," the president told reporters as the drama's finale was still unfolding. George Stephanopoulos, the White House spokesman, later commented: "Certainly he is responsible, but it's the attorney-general and the FBI that have operational control over this." On Monday night Mr Clinton issued a statement saying: "I told the attorney-general to do what she was right, and I stand by that decision."

The fate of William Sessions, the FBI director, is less certain. A Republican appointee under investigation for ethical violations, Mr Sessions was already in trouble. It is conceivable that Mr Clinton will decide that he cannot risk making Mr Sessions appear a scapegoat by firing him, but the more probable scenario is that Monday sealed his fate.

Various congressional committees have announced enquiries into the Waco siege expected to focus primarily on why the administration decided to take such drastic action when it knew it was dealing with fanatics.

"If we just ran out of patience, I think that was just a mistake," said Henry Hyde, a Republican member of the House judiciary committee. "One has to question whether the deaths of federal agents during the initial raid and those who may have died today could have been avoided," said Orrin Hatch, a Republican member of the Senate judiciary committee.

In numerous media appearances Miss Reno said the decision to mount the attack on the Branch Davidians' compound was taken because the FBI hostage rescue team was exhausted and there were no replacements, because of reports that the children inside the compound were being abused, because of the deteriorating sanitary conditions and because all else appeared to have failed.

"Obviously if I thought the chances were great of a mass suicide I would never have approved the plan," she said. "Everything that we were told, every indication of the reactions to the pressure up to that point, was that that would not occur."

However, Dick De Guerin, lawyer for David Koresh, blamed the FBI for the deaths of his client and more than 80 followers. "I thought we had an agreement that we were going to wait this out and that they were going to come out peacefully," he said.

"I don't understand why we couldn't have waited and let this thing play itself out peacefully instead of provoking the actions of yesterday. It was a bad decision."

Most Americans were in a state of shock yesterday. Some family members of cultists who died in the fire accused the FBI of deliberately starting the inferno, and Koresh's mother, Bonnie Haldeman, insisted: "There were law-abiding, God-fearing people in there. They didn't hurt anybody. It's ridiculous."

Patricia Ryan, the daughter of the US congressman who was killed in Jonestown, Guyana, just before the mass suicide there in 1978, said she had experienced "an incredible sense of déjà vu" as she watched the cult compound burn to the ground on live television. And for the residents of Waco, the long, drawn-out trauma of the siege has been replaced with deep Christian sadness.

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Standing firm: Janet Reno, attorney-general, at a Washington news conference. She took responsibility for police action

Why the buck stops with Janet Reno

BY MARTIN FLETCHER

WOMAN IN THE NEWS

IN 15 years as Miami's chief prosecutor, Janet Reno dealt with race riots, drug cartels, tidal waves of immigrants, political corruption and police brutality, but nothing that compared with the 51-day siege of the Branch Davidian's Waco compound that ended in horror on Monday.

The tragic consequences of the FBI's tear-gas attack, which Miss Reno ordered after barely five weeks in office ensured the worst possible start to her time as America's first female attorney-general, and in successive appearances before the press and on television on Monday night this physically-imposing lady of 6 ft 2 in looked shaken and grim. It was, she said, "one of the toughest and certainly one of the most painful and saddest" days of her career. But Miss Reno is nothing if not strong.

She was raised in a spartan house on the edge of Florida's Everglades by a father who was a crime reporter for the *Miami Herald* and a hard-drinking, coarse-tongued mother who wrestled alligators and kept snakes as pets. Miss Reno continued to live in the house, alone and unprotected despite being what President Clinton called a "front-line crime fighter", until her appointment as attorney-general.

Miss Reno, 54, studied at *Cornell and Harvard and* became chief prosecutor in Dade County, which covers Miami, one of America's most crime-infested cities, in 1978. In that job too she got off to the rockiest of starts when she failed to secure the convictions of four Miami police officers who had beaten a black insurance agent to death. The verdict triggered Miami's worst riots during which angry black crowds besieged her office. Miss Reno then courted Miami's black community, taught herself Spanish, made herself accessible to all and was re-elected four times with huge majorities despite being a Democrat in a Republican city. She was eulogised in a black rap song for cracking down on "deadbeat dads" who failed to pay child support. She built a reputation for steeliness, bluntness and ramrod integrity, qualities that were much in evidence as the recriminations began to fly on Monday.

Asked by a reporter if she was trying to protect President Clinton, she shot back: "I made the decisions. I'm accountable. The buck stops with me."

Fanatics fan fear of more violence

FROM JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

WITH an estimated 2,500 cults across America, it is probably only a matter of time before there is a repeat of the apocalypse at Waco.

Experts say that as many as 900 cults believe in Armageddon or the Day of Judgment and they fear an upsurge of violence as the millenium approaches. Already, there has been a wave of individual attacks by fanatics obsessed with the end of the world.

Last year, a man fascinated with the Book of Revelation hijacked a bus in Arizona and led police on a high-speed chase back to his home in California before being shot dead. A few months later, a California survivalist who believed in a Satanic conspiracy was arrested for masterminding bank robberies to finance the bunker he was building in anticipation of Armageddon.

CULTS

But experts say there are very few cults as heavily armed as David Koresh's Branch Davidians. The largest is believed to the Church Universal and Triumphant run by Elizabeth Clare Prophet, a New Age religious group with about 5,000 members. The group warns of an imminent nuclear holocaust and has established a huge fall-out shelter in Corwin Springs, Montana.

Ms Prophet claims that her followers oppose violence. But a former cult member told a Montana newspaper that the group had been stockpiling weapons since at least 1974.

In 1989, Ed Francis, the group's vice-president and Ms Prophet's husband, was seized along with the head of cult security with seven assault rifles and 120,000 rounds of ammunition, and pleaded guilty to weapons charges.

Marty Butz, of the Cult Awareness Network, which tracks cult activity, cautioned yesterday that the most dangerous cults may, like the Branch Davidians, escape the public's attention. "It's quite possible that there are other small rural relatively unnoticed groups that are collecting weapons," he said. "There are a few other places that have compounds and camps around the country."

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Major seeks to put Britain back at the heart of Europe

BY PETER RIDDELL, POLITICAL EDITOR

JOHN Major is planning to use the end of the five-month-long House of Commons committee stage on the Maastricht treaty bill tomorrow evening to launch a campaign to present Britain at the forefront of the European Community.

Mr Major has felt frustrated at being unable to put forward Britain's positive agenda for the Community by the need to minimise the revolt among Conservatives during the bitterly divisive committee stage. He will mark the shift in a speech to the Conservative Group for Europe tomorrow, which he himself wrote last weekend.

The prime minister's central argument will be that, with the Maastricht bill likely to be out of the way by mid-summer, Britain is now free to play a leading role in shaping the EC. This involves both immediate action and putting forward proposals ahead of the next intergovernmental conference in 1996.

British ministers believe that, by trying to shape the agenda so early, Britain can avoid the difficulties associated with the Maastricht treaty, when Britain was forced into a more reactive position.

Mr Major believes that Britain is now thinking and operating along the same lines as both Germany and France. British officials were yesterday emphasising the good working relations already established with the new French government, both over Bosnia-Herzegovina and over the development of the EC. Mr Major will meet Edouard Balladur, the new French prime minister, in Downing Street in two weeks' time.

Britain will seek to take forward the commitment to subsidiarity in the Maastricht treaty. Mr Major now describes this as national precedence. He has the support of Helmut Kohl, the German chancellor, on this issue in view of the pressures on the Bonn government not to take away powers from the regional *Länder*.

The other main themes to be emphasised by Mr Major will be extending free trade within and outside the EC, improving accountability, enlarging the Community to include Austria and Scandinavian countries, and strengthening relations with Central European states.

In political terms, ministers believe that the Tory party's divisions on Maastricht can be healed by presenting a broadly agreed agenda for developing an open and free market EC. Both Mr Hurd and Michael Howard, the environment secretary, who is a Euro-sceptic, have emphasised this point.

The possibility of sterling re-entering the European exchange-rate mechanism could, however, divide the cabinet, but this issue is unlikely even to be discussed until next year. Moreover, ministers believe that the potentially awkward issues raised by the next stages of economic and monetary union, and the move towards a single currency, will in practice not arise within the next few years.

Ministers back away from a showdown

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE government removed the prospect of an early defeat on the Maastricht bill last night by accepting a fresh amendment on the social chapter. The decision to avoid a showdown on amendment 74 means that even after the treaty legislation becomes law the government will have to stage a debate and vote on the social chapter.

Even though defeat at that stage would prevent Britain from ratifying the treaty, senior ministers last night dismissed the possibility, saying that there was a majority in the Commons against the social chapter that would eventually show itself. George Robertson, Labour's foreign affairs spokesman, accused the government of surrender.

The move came as the Commons prepared for today's rare vote of censure against the deputy Speaker, Michael Morris, and for the following debate on a proposal for a referendum on Maastricht. Mr Morris is under fire for his refusal to allow a vote on the original social chapter amendment 27. He is certain to be supported by a big majority, but the debate about his conduct of proceedings will delay the referendum discussion.

There was strong support for Mr Morris yesterday and appeals to Tony Benn, who tabled the motion, to withdraw it. Tom King, the former cabinet minister, said the motion was highly unfair to Mr Morris. He had been put in an impossible position and had conducted his task with great good humour and tolerance.

Tony Newton, the Commons Leader, called on all MPs to show support for the authority of the chair.

Dennis Skinner, the Labour MP for Bolsvoer, said Mr Morris had "made a rod for his own back".

It was uncertain last night when the vote on the referendum would take place. If the Liberal Democrats support any attempt to keep the House sitting beyond 10pm tonight, the crucial division could come in the early morning. It is more likely that the vote will be carried forward to tomorrow.

The new clause (No 74), tabled by Opposition leader John Smith and shadow cabinet members, reads: "This act shall come into force only when the House of Commons has come to a resolution on a motion tabled by a minister of the Crown considering the question of adopting the protocol on social policy."



A difficult innings: Michael Morris, the deputy Speaker, who faces a censure motion today

'Fair' Morris bears brunt of rebel anger

BY PHILIP WEBSTER

MICHAEL Morris will be in the Commons chamber this afternoon, sitting just behind and to the right of the Speaker's chair, when MPs debate his handling of the Maastricht bill in general and his decision to refuse a division on the notorious social chapter amendment 27 in particular.

For the deputy Speaker it is an unhappy end to a four-month stint in which he has earned praise from all sides for the firm, witty and skilful way he has presided over proceedings on the most divisive bill in the Commons since the poll tax.

For some three hours today, as the main protagonists wait impatiently for the debate on the Maastricht referendum to start, Mr Morris will watch and listen as Labour and Tory rebels vent their anger over a ruling they reckon has denied them their best chance so far of derailing the government. The genial and relaxed Mr Morris might have been expected to take the decision of Tony Benn and his colleagues to table a censure motion against him with equanimity. Mr Benn has insisted that it was nothing personal.

According to people who know him well, however, Mr Morris is upset. A close friend said: "He knew that his job would be difficult, particularly for a Tory MP. He spent ages preparing for it. He really has bent over backwards to be impartial. It looked as if he was going to come through it unscathed, and now this has hit him." Mr Morris's determination to get it right was shown in November when he took the unusual step of meeting MPs with a Maastricht interest before the committee stage to lay down the ground rules and assure them of his good faith.

Ironically, most Westminster observers would attest that if there have been murmurings against the bow-tied chairman of ways and means during the interminable committee stage on the Maastricht bill they have come from the government side.

Not all his rulings have pleased ministers, notably his decision to allow a special debate on the government's U-turn over its legal advice on amendment 27, and latterly his announcement that he would be selecting the "iceberg" amendment 74 for debate.

For procedurally complex reasons, Mr Morris told MPs a fortnight ago that instead of voting on amendment 27 they would have a division instead on amendment 75, the so-called ticking timebomb. It was when ministers announced last Thursday that they were accepting that amendment, and made it rather obvious that they thought they had pulled a fast one on their opponents, that some of the Maastricht rebels, perhaps understandably, smelt a rat.

If the government had sat on its decision until the very end of the committee stage, when the amendment was due to be debated, it is unlikely that there would have been such a fuss.

Mr Morris, the MP for Northampton South, has not been averse to rebellion during his 19 years in the Commons. Better than many occupants of the chair he will have understood the independent-mindedness of some of those with whom he has jousted in recent weeks.

When it is over, and Mr Morris has been supported by an overwhelming majority, he will return, slightly bruised, to the chair for the final knockings of the committee stage.

Patten defends school reforms

BY NICHOLAS WOOD AND ROBERT MORGAN

TORY backbenchers rallied to the side of John Patten yesterday as the beleaguered education secretary gave a spirited and confident defence of his decision to press ahead with tests for more than a million children this summer in the face of a threatened boycott by the three main teacher unions.

Mr Patten was loudly cheered by Tory MPs as he accused Labour and the unions of seeking to undermine the government's reforms and damage the educational prospects of the least able pupils, who stood to gain most from regular testing.

Many Tories think that Mr Patten mishandled the dispute in its early days and has been losing the public relations battle with the teachers. As the debate made clear, however, most now believe that he cannot afford to make any more concessions without damaging the government's credibility.

In heated exchanges with Ann Taylor, the Opposition education spokesman, Mr Patten repeatedly claimed that she was in favour of the proposed boycott. He claimed that the National Union of Teachers was exploiting proper professional debate to begin an attack on the core of the government's reforms.

Tory backbenchers revelled in the disclosure that Mrs Taylor was a member of the Socialist Educational Association which, they said, was urging parents to keep their children at home on the day of the tests.

Earlier, Mrs Taylor had ducked the issue of whether she supported the boycott while making it clear that she was at one with teachers and other groups pressing for the tests to be suspended this year pending the outcome of the review of the national curriculum and assessment.

Mrs Taylor said that while she supported the principle of testing to identify and remedy the weaknesses of individual pupils, she could not endorse the over-bureaucratic, complex and ill-prepared regime that Mr Patten was foisting on schools. Parents were fed up with their children being used as guinea pigs yet again.

County profile: Bedfordshire

Unhappy alliances leave deep scars

BY JONATHAN PRYNN



BEDFORDSHIRE is the sort of home county that must return to the Tory fold if the May 6 elections are to be considered a success in Central Office. The county's five Westminster MPs and two Euro MPs are all true blue and it adjoins the John Major's Huntingdon heartland.

Conservative councillors have been unable to command an overall majority at county hall for more than a decade, allowing Liberal Democrat assisted Labour councils to run Bedfordshire throughout most of the 1980s.

The tables were turned a year and a half ago when splits in the parties' ranks allowed the Conservatives to dominate the council with, amazingly, the help of a hard left Labour breakaway group. Grateful Tory councillors were prepared to accept a helping hand from whatever quarter it came, and the alliance has left the opposition dividing amoeba-like in the wilderness. Bitter differences of opinion within both parties over whether they should form a formal pact was the main reason behind the splintering of the autumn of 1991.

Of the 73 seats on the council 35 are held by the Conservatives, 25 by Labour, three by the breakaway Labour group, seven by the official Liberal Democrats and three by independent Liberal Democrats. Since the splits, the Conservatives, led by Phillip Hendry, have been able to win the chairs of the major council committees and push through their budget proposals.

The scars are so deep that official and rebel Liberal Democrat councillors are still scarcely on speaking terms even though they vote together on almost every issue.

On the Labour side the vitriol is if anything stronger, with rebel Labour councillors resorting to tape recordings of Labour group meetings to provide public evidence of alleged clandestine deals.

On substantial policy issues the gaps narrow dramatically. All three official groups pitched their proposed budgets at exactly the same level, £349.3 million, the size of the standard spending assessment set for Bedfordshire by the Department of the Environment. Differences in the budget packages do exist. Labour lays more emphasis on tackling unemployment, now almost 15 per cent in some parts of Luton, and social services at the expense, according to the Tories of education and law and order.

Another difference is Labour opposition to Conservative proposals for a 25 per cent increase in school meal charges and a £6 flat charge on home help. Labour is also sceptical of some of the promises in the Tory manifesto which, according to councillor John Tizard, "could well evaporate in the way snow evaporates in June".

Fear of juvenile crime has been fanned by emotive stories in the local press. The Tories deny that the problem is any worse than elsewhere in the country, while scoring political points off Labour for not supporting the funding of an extra 11 police constables. The most important law and order issue is the future of the Bedfordshire police force, which is seen as being at risk of amalgamation with neighbouring constabularies.

All three main parties claim they have reasons to be hopeful for May 6. Labour says that outright control is "within our grasp". For the Liberal Democrats, an improvement from their official tally of seven to the low teens of seats is targeted, while for the Conservative group anything other than outright control would be a disappointment. With the exception of a four-year period of Tory control in the late 1970s, the Bedfordshire council has been hung for a generation. The odds must be that May 6 will bring no change to that basic political fact of life.

Ashdown accuses Tories of risking recovery

BY SHEILA GUNN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

MINISTERS are wildly talking up the recovery in a desperate attempt to win the Newbury by-election, just as they did before last year's general election, Paddy Ashdown claimed yesterday.

As the Tory campaign team insisted that the green shoots of recovery were becoming green branches, the Liberal Democrat leader said the government was close to playing irresponsible short-term politics with Britain's long-term economic future in the fight for the seat.

Speaking in support of his candidate, David Rendel, Mr Ashdown welcomed the CBI's cautious optimism in a report this week. "I hope there is a recovery for the sake of those millions who have suffered so badly. But a responsible government would be taking the line of the CBI and not talking up the recovery wildly in order to win the by-election. If the government does for the Newbury by-election what it did for the last general election, over-hype the recovery to get votes and then suffer afterwards from another downturn, that would be a devastating blow for confidence in this country."



Shephard: the green branches of recovery

With the Liberal Democrats using a 9.3 per cent swing to wrench the west Berkshire seat away from the Tories in a fortnight, pinpointing the economy's exact position on the recession-recovery scale has become their main preoccupation.

Gillian Shephard, the employment secretary, came to Newbury yesterday to join Julian Davidson, the Conservative candidate, in criticising the Liberal Democrat camp for "dangerously" talking down the economic outlook.

"What is obvious is that we are talking more about green branches rather than green shoots. It is a tremendous shame when people nationally and internationally are making such tremendous efforts to benefit and take advantage of the recovery that we should find a candidate putting busily talking down this recovery and apparently seeking to undermine confidence."

Mr Davidson cited a report by Thames Valley Chamber of Commerce as his main evidence of improved confidence locally. The report, which covers a much wider area than the constituency, found confidence had risen to its highest level for three years.

By coincidence the main candidate picked the launch of the new Rover 600 by Nias of Newbury for their morning's campaigning, with all three embarking on trial drives around a hotel car park with mixed results. Mr Davidson came close to driving Mrs Shephard into a pillar, while Mr Rendel disappeared down the road in his saloon. Labour's Steve Billcliffe, the outsider in the race but the only one of the three in a full-time job, scooped his opponents by buying a second-hand Rover Sterling.

□ 1992 general election: J Chaplin (C) 37,135; D Rendel (Lib Dem) 24,778; R Hall (L) 3,962; J Wallis (Green) 539. Con majority 12,357.



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Hurd presses on for quicker response to global ills

*Douglas Hurd does not seek ideal solutions, **Peter Riddell** and **Martin Ivens** discovered in an interview at the Foreign Office*

HAIR immaculately coiffed, turned out in a creaseless blue suit and looking confident after his successful exposition of British foreign policy in the Commons on Monday, Douglas Hurd's duties were uncharacteristically light yesterday.

"Only a couple of Latin American ambassadors today so there is time to catch up on homework," he said genially as he invited us to sit down in his oddly gloomy but impressive sanctuary in King Charles Street. At the lodge we had heard that the Nicaraguans were very anxious to know Ascot race times.

For Mr Hurd, foreign policy is not about ideal solutions and firm blueprints, but about minimising difficulties in an imperfect world. For him, the record of Britain and other European governments in the Bosnian crisis is in part one of avoiding worse troubles.

In the short term, Britain is discussing, with the United States and other allies, what more can be done to persuade the Bosnian Serbs to sign up to the Owen-Vance peace plan. The one absolute constraint he emphasises is his "very strong opposition to British ground troops being involved in the fighting". But he leaves open the possibility of air action to increase the pressure, while underlining the difficulties involved.

Mr Hurd confirms that, in recent discussions with Washington, Britain has "fed in our thoughts, both positive and cautious, and I think the president will move in the next few days to decide what, if anything more, should be done. I think they will then consult us again."

Dismissing references to the special relationship as being an American attempt "almost just to please us", he says: "What it actually means in practice is that we are involved in their thinking at an earlier stage than most people and that is crucial."

Mr Hurd sees the Bosnian confrontation as an example of how the international community needs to become involved earlier in what were internal conflicts. He has never used the expression "new world order" that was popularised by George Bush during the Gulf war, because it created the wrong impression that all the crises of the world could be resolved the way the Kuwaiti question was.

'Step by step, country by country, the international community is gradually inching forward, doing more and more'

"The world being what it is you don't have time to sit down and say how are we going to organise this in theory. Out of this is not a new world order but rather a better way of dealing with the existing one. We have to find out of this wildnerness of initials [of international organisations] a better way of using the assets and the skills we have.

"What is happening is that step by step, country by country, the international community, which basically means operations under the authority of the United Nations, is gradually inching forward, doing more and more." For him, the security council remains central because it confers legal authority and provides political backing.

But, he emphasised, "we mustn't get into a position where the only force used is one specifically authorised by the security council. Action has to be consistent, but not necessarily authorised. It would be possible to imagine air strikes which were not specifically authorised by the security council.

"We didn't, in the Gulf war, get ourselves into the position that you could only act under the authority of the security council. When you've got a mandatory arms embargo, as you have now, of course you can only change that with the authority of the security council. But you can take military action without the authority of the security council." If sanctions are to have any legal and practical force too, they have to be authorised by the security council. That is why "getting the Russians on board over the last week was essential".

Faced with the traditional Tory scepticism about whether sanctions ever work, Mr Hurd emphasises that he has always been very careful not to guarantee that. "If you look at Serbia, the effect of the existing imperfect sanctions has been 9,000 per cent inflation, the rundown of the economy. So clearly they could do a great deal of harm and the more tightly they were implemented the more harm they could do. What one cannot say is what effect that harm has on policy. But then that is true of all solutions. It is certainly true of the use of force. This is the gamble you take when you apply pressures to a country. You may stiffen it."

To make sanctions effective, Mr Hurd is looking for a co-ordinator to stand above all the international organisations, "someone who can stand above all that and can go to Athens, Sofia, or Bucharest, and say, 'This is happening, it's got to stop'; or 'How can we help you to stop it?'. Somebody who has the necessary clout to do that, not a committee." He hopes it might be an American.

The central weakness of the Western position in Bosnia is that the Serbs have always had the initiative, have time and time again called the bluff of Western politicians. Mr Hurd believes "it is extremely difficult because of the nature of our democracies to leave people guessing. You would be torn aside by the media. The British people deserve an answer. Are we going to expose our lads? It is virtually impossible to play diplomacy the old way because you have introduced a completely new element which is not present in a dictatorship."

Mr Hurd argues that in the long term the Bosnian Serbs have got to decide once they have got over "the excitement of having flags raised over some ruins, what is it all about? If they are calculators as opposed to fanatics, it should be clear that if what they want is a sort of a settled, stable Serbia, then they are setting about it the wrong way". But does a nationalist's mind work on profit and loss accounts?

He acknowledges that there were exaggerated expectations at the start of the crisis. The Americans "thought we would be able to sort it out. The EC has never been a military organisation, and isn't now. Some of those who have blasted it most loudly for its feebleness over Yugoslavia would have been the first to criticise it for going well beyond anything in the Maastricht treaty if it started parading up and down as a military organisation.

"What it did do was what it is capable of doing, which is to prevent individual countries starting to back individual horses in Yugoslavia. It would have been disastrous if we had not prevented it. What we have also created, by working through the EC, was the framework for a political settlement which will one day come. It won't come tomorrow but one day it will come.

"It's never been a question of the EC going to war. It hasn't acquired a common foreign and security policy of a kind which is likely to be effective in dealing with problems outside its borders. But it's done the negative thing of preventing everybody going off and doing things in rivalry and competition with each other."

For Mr Hurd, the main lesson is appreciating the importance of "effectively working together, of being ready to move earlier". This does not mean moving towards majority voting within the EC on foreign policy. He believes trying to outvote Greece on the Macedonia question would have produced "chaos and hostility in Greece without great benefit to Macedonia". What he envisages is a more effective common foreign and security policy. The key, however, is being prepared to act sooner. "You have to be able to do things and intervene and maybe impose sanctions and use all the peaceful means at an earlier stage when they might be effective. This involves brushing aside what used to be the absolutely basic argument that these are internal matters, nothing to do with us. If we want to avoid choice about military action, then we have to be more active earlier, that is the way the world is going." But perhaps that is too late for Bosnia.



Policy focus: Douglas Hurd emphasises a pragmatic line in an imperfect world

British corporal shot by mistake in Bosnia barracks accident

BY MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT, AND ADAM LEBOR IN SPLIT

A LANCE corporal at the British military base at Vitez in central Bosnia was shot and seriously wounded yesterday in an accident. A British helicopter was also shot at but landed safely.

As the fighting in the Vitez area continued, Malcolm Rifkind, the defence secretary, told the Commons that the government did not intend to strengthen its military contingent in Bosnia. "The size and composition of the British contribution to the United Nations deployments to the former Yugoslavia is kept under constant review," he said.

However, Mr Rifkind said he was satisfied that the 2,300-member contingent now serving in Bosnia, with about 200 in Zagreb, Croatia, was "of the right size and properly equipped for the important humanitarian tasks assigned to it". He said the future of the field ambulance unit in Zagreb was under discussion because it was not being fully utilised.

The lance corporal who was injured was shot by mistake by a fellow soldier who was cleaning his 9mm Browning pistol. A 9mm bullet entered his shoulder and came out through his neck.

The soldier, from the Royal Regiment of Wales was given emergency treatment by the mobile surgical team based at the Vitez camp and flown by French Puma helicopter to Split in Croatia, where he was put on a plane for a hospital in Britain. A military spokesman in Split said last night he was seriously ill but stable. He was conscious.

The helicopter, one of four Royal Navy Sea Kings based in the former Yugoslavia, was hit by a bullet as fighting flared between Croats and Muslims in Vitez. The Sea King crew was unaware of the shot until it checked the helicopter after landing at the British logistics barracks in Split.

Lieutenant Commander George Wallace, 37, commanding officer of 845 Squadron, discovered that the bullet had passed through the tail section within an inch of the tail rotor drive shaft. "If it had connected, the consequences could have been very serious indeed," a military spokesman said.

The Sea King is one of two Royal Navy helicopters which have been ferrying the sick and the wounded out of the besieged east Bosnian town of Srebrenica. At one point yesterday the helicopter had to land some injured Canadian troops at Visoko and was forced to fly below a firefight between Croats and Muslims across a valley. The Sea King also called at the UN headquarters at Kiseljak, where sporadic fighting with mortars and small arms has erupted.

Bands of fighters were roaming through the area around Vitez, setting houses on fire and expelling civilians, British officers reported. General Philippe Morillon, the UN commander in Bosnia, arrived in Vitez yesterday to try to forge a ceasefire between the two sides.

Muslim-controlled Bosnian radio claimed that Croat forces had massacred Muslim intellectuals and children in Vitez. Civilians who had fled from the village of Ahmici, interviewed on Bosnian television, said they had seen Croat soldiers shooting at those fleeing.

Bosnian radio also claimed that three rockets hit a school building in Jablanica sheltering about 2,000 refugees. Another report said Croats had set fire to the village of Gacice near Vitez. British troops in Warrior armoured vehicles and armoured ambulances patrolled the streets in an attempt to calm the situation and tend the injured.

Several villages were shelled and civilians and foreigner detained. The foreigners kidnapped included the drivers of stranded relief convoys, according to Sarajevo radio.

Barry Frewer, the UN Protection Force spokesman, described the fighting as vicious. A Bosnian army spokesman reported that Croat gunners had shelled the southern city of Mostar with 120mm guns. But Croatian forces denied the charge.

Mostar, which has a Muslim majority population, was heavily damaged by Bosnian Serb shelling earlier in the war.

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Bianca Jagger: got boy out of Bosnia

'No hope' for blind teenager

FROM MARK FULLER IN AMSTERDAM

SEAD Bekric, the blinded boy evacuated from Bosnia on the initiative of Bianca Jagger and the US charity AmeriCare, was flown from Amsterdam yesterday to an eye clinic in Los Angeles. A Dutch doctor said there was no real hope of saving the boy's sight.

Dr Frank Koole, an eye surgeon at the Vrij University Hospital, Amsterdam, said the boy's left eye had been torn out by a Serb mortar shell and that very little remained of the right eye. The wounds had also been infected, which would delay any operation. The 14-year-old patient had not suffered any neurological damage and was in reasonably good health considering he had not been treated since suffering the injuries 11 days ago in Srebrenica.

Dr Koole said his hospital had been asked only to redress the wounds and provide accommodation for the boy and his family while they were in Amsterdam.

Belgrade Serbs shrug off vote by UN to impose tighter sanctions

BY EVE-ANN PRENTICE, DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT, AND DESSA TREVISAN IN BELGRADE

WHILE Russia grows ever more anxious about the West's hardening attitude towards the rump Yugoslavia, Serbs in Belgrade regard United Nations sanctions with such disdain the curbs are known as Swiss cheese — because they are riddled with so many holes.

Moscow has voiced fresh unease at the UN vote for tighter sanctions and proposed a security council meeting in the war zone. The foreign minister, Andrei Kozyrev, suggested talks between security council foreign ministers in the Bosnian capital, Sarajevo, or the besieged town of Srebrenica. Russia has already demonstrated its lack of enthusiasm for tighter sanctions by abstaining from Saturday's vote, together with China.

The proposal for the security council battle zone meeting came as President Yeltsin's Balkan envoy, Vitali Churkin, criticised the vote for tougher sanctions as "hasty", adding: "Everybody's hand has been weakened by the vote in the security council." The sanctions will take effect on April 26, after the Russian referendum on President Yeltsin's economic reforms, unless Bosnia's Serbs sign the Vance-Owen peace plan.

The sanctions are the most severe ever imposed by the United Nations. The embargo passed last May banned the import or export of any goods and commodities except food and medicine; cut air links; suspended sporting and cultural ties; and froze Yugoslavia's foreign assets.

About 90 per cent of the goods supposed to be shipped across Serbia to Macedonia ended up in Serbia in violation of the embargo. All the signs are that the oil embargo and trade sanctions imposed on Serbia and Montenegro almost a year ago have had limited effects, especially on Serbs with hard currency to spend.

The latest resolution imposes a virtual ban on the trans-shipment of goods across Yugoslavia or Serb-held parts of Bosnia and Croatia. The only exceptions will be shipments approved on a case-by-case basis by the United Nations sanctions committee, a provision intended to help Macedonia which is already blockaded from one side by Greece.

While long queues for petrol plague motorists in Macedonia, there is no waiting time for their counterparts in Belgrade. In Serbia, the black market has flourished and the sanctions have made many deutschmark fortunes. Men known as Danube pirates are reported to wait under cover of darkness on both banks the river for passing foreign ships and barges. They row boats filled with empty barrels to the vessels, latch on to the side and strike deals in midstream. Since patrols along the Danube were tightened in the new year, petrol pumps have appeared along its banks.

Before the controls were tightened, passing sanction-breaking ships would stop to deliver the goods. Now foreign crews are reluctant to halt, so goods are reportedly transferred while the ships are moving. Serbs use the word *inat* to describe a national characteristic loosely translated as an eagerness to meet challenges, and in Belgrade that spirit has been mobilised to meet the existing sanctions and shrug off the threat of new ones.

Serbs have, however, been shaken by the possibility of air strikes, and many worry that Belgrade will be bombed. The regime of the Serbian president, Slobodan Milosevic, has meanwhile been able to blame the country's dismal economic performance on sanctions. Most people seem to have forgotten that living standards were falling well before sanctions were introduced, especially after Mr Milosevic imposed a boycott of goods from Slovenia and Croatia goods in 1989.

Security council stumbles over 'safe havens'

Marc Weller argues that the areas protected from hostilities for Bosnian Muslims proposed by the UNHCR could be set up under existing resolutions

LAST Friday, the United Nations Security Council pronounced Srebrenica a "safe area from armed attack or any other hostile act". Resolution 819 also demanded once again that the Yugoslav Federation (Serbia and Montenegro) cease supporting the Bosnian Serbs, and reaffirmed the right to freedom of movement of UN forces in all parts of Bosnia.

Hours later Bosnian Serbs and Canadian UN troops, instead of entering Srebrenica to "monitor" the situation, as the security council had envisaged, were turned back by partisans manning a road-block. Witnessing this policy of polite retreat, the Bosnian government appears to have placed little faith in the UN "safe area". Instead, it felt constrained to opt for a pact with the devil by agreeing to disarm its forces in Srebrenica.

The UN will now either find itself monitoring an enclave overflowing with displaced persons who live under the permanent threat of renewed hostilities and extermination, or will complete the job of "ethnic cleansing" by evacuating the area.

This embarrassing result contrasts with an earlier response to extreme humanitarian need. On April 16, 1991, President Bush followed a British initiative and announced the creation of humanitarian islands in northern Iraq. There, the safe distribution of aid was guaranteed by armed troops with orders to shoot.

When it came to rescuing the Kurds, there was no evidence on the part of the coalition forces to comply with the small print of existing UN resolutions. There were no resolutions that would have endorsed the operation. Instead, the measure was justified by reference to general standards of humanity and law.

In the case of Bosnia it would not even be necessary to resort to this sometimes disputed justification of humanitarian intervention. From day one of the Serb bombardment, the Bosnian government has pleaded for international armed action to stop the slaughter of civilians — conduct which the International Court of Justice has called upon Belgrade to prevent. Legally, this request, uttered by a government which is still treated by the UN as the only legitimate representative of Bosnia, may well suffice as a justification for intervention.

Even those who doubt whether the embattled government in Sarajevo retains legal authority to invite foreign forces into Bosnia have to admit that an explicit mandate for forcible action has existed since last autumn when the security council, acting under the enforcement provisions of the UN Charter, called upon states to take all "necessary measures" to facilitate the delivery of humanitarian supplies.

The wording "necessary measures" has assumed a well-known significance in UN parlance. Concerning former Yugoslavia, it has been used to permit military enforcement of economic sanctions by naval forces and of the no-fly zone by Nato combat aircraft. It was taken to provide sufficient authorisation for the use of force against the Iraqi occupiers in Kuwait.

Military action to establish true safe-havens in areas where Bosnians are faced with indiscriminate attack is therefore already justified. This applies to action taken by the UN force, or to operations undertaken by states operating outside the organisational structures of the blue helmets.

UN troops may use force to gain freedom of movement throughout Bosnia. Nato has a mandate to patrol the skies and engage any military flights in the region. Under the Iraq rationale this includes a mandate to ensure safety for air patrols.

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Rutskoi throws hat into the ring

FROM ANNE MCELVOY IN MOSCOW

ALEKSANDR Rutskoi, the Russian vice-president, announced yesterday that he would stand for the leadership if President Yeltsin were forced from office after the referendum on Sunday. "I am not going to surrender. I have enough strength. I will without doubt put forward my candidacy," he said during a phone-in.

Asked what would happen if Mr Yeltsin failed to win the confidence vote, Mr Rutskoi said that, under the constitution, he would take over for three months until new elections could be organised. He did not say whether he accepted Mr Yeltsin's view that he needs only 50 per cent of the turnout to win, or sides with the conservative parliament, which insists that the Russian leader needs to be confirmed by 50 cent of the entire electorate.

Opinion polls indicate that Mr Yeltsin's support is growing in the final days of the campaign. A poll conducted for the Menenye organisation and Saatchi and Saatchi predicts that 65 per cent of intending voters will back the president. About 60 per cent of respondents said they would be voting.

Ruslan Khasbulatov, the parliamentary Speaker and Mr Yeltsin's long-standing foe, admitted yesterday that the president might win on Sunday even on parliament's terms of an absolute majority of the electorate. The opposition now seems to fear that Mr Yeltsin might just pull off a convincing result.

A better tomorrow beckons on track to Urals

***Michael Binyon**, continuing his rail trip around Russia, finds a museum dwelling on the Stalinist past as people dream of economic independence. Sixth stop: UFA*



Railway children: the side of the Trans-Siberian railway in Ufa doubles as a dangerous playground. Photograph: CHRIS HARRIS

THE result of the referendum on President Yeltsin's reforms will not matter to Yelena and her two sons: the rain will still come through the roof and they will still have to cook on a camping stove in a wooden shed added to their crumbling pre-revolutionary house.

"It's worse for my neighbour. She also lives in one room. But there are eight of them. She's worked 30 years on the railway. These houses were put up when the line was built. Just look at their state — that's life in Russia for you!"

A train rumbled by carrying oil, cement, wood and riches from beyond the Urals for the factories of European Russia.

REFERENDUM RUSSIA

Near the bridge over the river, little has changed since the revolution — the wooden cabins, blackened with age and dust, lean crazily down the cobbled street, where children kick rusty tins and the occasional horse-drawn cart clatters by.

No German forces reached this far east to erase the traces of the tsarist past, so the old quarter is untouched, while the rest of Ufa — the old trading capital of Bashkirskaya and strategic guardian of the Urals — has grown into a bustling city of more than a million people with a pride and purpose not found in surrounding Russia.

There is a hint of the Mongol in the broad faces and a reminder of the Muslim heritage in the names, although Soviet conformism brought the same Lenin statues, revolutionary street names, whining and overloaded trolley buses, and block after monotonous block of shoddy high-rise flats.

For most people, however, the referendum does matter. For in Bashkirskaya, the autonomous republic largely populated by Bashkirs and Tatars, a fifth question has been added: "Do you want economic independence for Bashkirskaya? Would that be in our interest?"

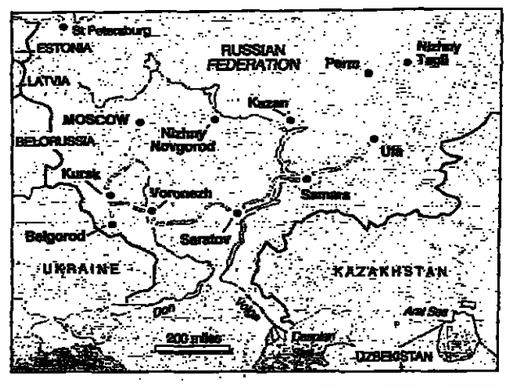
The argument brings out passionate rhetoric. "All this was settled in last year's federation treaty. We can't go back on that," insisted Karim Yaushev, leader of the one million Tatars — 29 per cent of the population — at a seminar organised by the local newspaper. "Anyway, what would happen? Economic independence would fuel the demands of separatists. The country would be a chaos of little states and groups."

Altaf Gayfulin, spokesman for the Bashkir National party, disagreed. "I've been in the villages. They know we can live better than Russia. They will vote for economic independence."

Bashkirskaya can afford to go its own way. Rich in oil and gas, it sees a chance to stock its shops, rebuild its rickety tramlines, help the ambitious ballet school, and import more Western clothes, drinks and cigarettes for the street kiosks.

But Mr Yeltsin has forceful opponents. "He and his circle, the American advisers, have led this country into a dead end. England has had capitalism for 500 years. Yeltsin is trying to do it all in five," said Mavlud Hakimov, a local economist. Mr Yaushev replied: "It's a struggle between two forces, democracy and neo-communism. With all his faults, Yeltsin is the road to democracy and freedom. If the neo-communists win, we'll go back to the old system, economic collapse and political crisis. Chauvinists and nationalists would be terrible for us all — it would be the first step to conflict as in Nagorno-Karabakh."

Ufa has unwittingly done more to spread hardline communism than any city except Moscow. It was here that the Communist International — Comintern — set up its training school for foreign cadres during the war. Here the future leaders of Stalinist repression in Eastern Europe and communist agitators in the West learnt propaganda techniques, manipulation of the masses, and trained spies for underground work. Their pictures still glare down from the walls of the little museum set up to record the Comintern's activities here in 1941-3. Gottwald of Czechoslovakia, Pieck of East Germany, Dimitrov of Bulgaria, Togliatti of Italy and Dolores Irraburi — "La Pasionaria" — of Spain. Their letters and knick-knacks fill the cabinets, and posters illustrate the spread of communism. Ufa then knew nothing of the secret college, known as "Institute No. 31", and wants to know little of it now. The wartime relocation here of heavy industry brought boom and rapid growth. It also brought the curtain down: Ufa was closed to the outside world and is only now opening up. Reform, freedom and independence are mean something special in a town where old ways die hard, and where contact with foreigners is still unusual.



Germans return to global role with troops for Somalia

FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN

GERMAN ground troops are to be deployed outside Europe for the first time since the second world war. The Bonn coalition government agreed yesterday to send 1,500 troops to boost the embattled aid effort in Somalia.

Germany's progress towards a military mission outside the Nato area has come to resemble a faltering, nightmare trek through a minefield: most of the mines are admittedly of a 1945 vintage but they are still explosive. The decision on Somalia has been carefully prepared to gain maximum political consensus.

Boutros Boutros Ghali, the United Nations secretary-general, gave the government a helping hand by stating that the German contingent would be stationed only in a "safe environment", probably in southern Somalia, and would concentrate on building roads and water pipelines. That has allowed the German government to present its involvement as little more than missionary work. A lightly armed infantry unit will protect the troops.

The coalition is still smarting from the difficult decision to assign some German aircrew to the no-fly zone over Bosnia. This was regarded by Bonn's Western allies as a minimum commitment to Nato policy in the Balkans. The Awacs radar planes are based in Germany and are mainly crewed by Germans. The Christian Democrats who dominate the coalition agreed, while their junior partners, the Free Democrats, insisted that the constitution would first have to be amended. The constitutional court ruled in favour of the Christian Democrats, sparing the coalition from having to drum up a two-thirds majority in parliament to change the constitution.

Together, the Awacs move and the Somali decision — which is expected to be confirmed by the cabinet today — represent a significant step towards a global military involvement by Germany. The constitutional court ruling on Awacs may have saved the coalition but it left open the broader question of how Germany should project its power abroad.

Neither the government nor the opposition Social Democrats have really solved this riddle. Last autumn Social Democratic experts were talking about an overseas role for the German army as a limited support force for development aid projects. But the agonising over the Somalia deployment shows that even this modest mission has little backing within the party.

It seems that Bonn will inch rather than leap into a global role of some sort. German air force units were moved to Turkey, a Nato member, during the Gulf war. German planes began parachuting supplies to Bosnia last month.

The Awacs mission could be regarded as the kind of combat operation forbidden by the constitution, if the no-fly zone evolves into an aerial attack on Serb planes or gun emplacements. Opinion polls show that Germans are on the whole prepared for such a shift. The political class is not. Nor are the German armed forces themselves. Even neighbouring countries, such as Poland, not directly affected by German actions in Somalia or Bosnia, are uneasy.

It is perhaps the Bundeswehr that is the most anxious. The German army is trained to defend the nation against attack from the East and to operate within Europe under Nato command: it is a conscript force that has been trained to ask questions. Now a potentially damaging division is opening up between the conscripts and those soldiers earmarked as members of a crisis deployment, or UN peacekeeping, force.

The philosophy of the modern German army was based on the idea that soldiers should be "citizens in uniform". Now they are having to think of themselves as universal soldiers, much like the American army. That represents a big upheaval.



Peyron: had less than a day to spare

French hail victory by yachtsman

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN PARIS

CELEBRATIONS started yesterday in port towns around France as, with less than a day to spare, Bruno Peyron, a yachtsman from southern Brittany, steered his battered catamaran into the Channel, all but certain of winning the Jules Verne challenge of sailing around the world in less than 80 days.

Government ministers and stars of the yachting world last night hailed the exploit by Peyron, 37, and the four crewmen of the *Commodore Explorer*, who drove their fragile craft at top speed. Peyron, a veteran of 27 Atlantic crossings, "has pulled off one of the most formidable human achievements of the century", said *Le Parisien Libéré*, a view echoed by the sports minister, Michèle Alliot-Marie.

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Italians want Segni after vote for change

FROM JOHN PHILLIPS IN ROME

PRESIDENT Scalfaro of Italy last night came under pressure to name Mario Segni, the main promoter of the electoral reform referendum, as prime minister-designate after the dramatic vote in favour of a new political system.

Popular relief that Italy was seeking to put its cynical past behind it was heightened yesterday when dramatic new allegations were made against Giulio Andreotti, 74, the Christian Democrat former prime minister under investigation on suspicion of collusion with the Mafia. A Senate committee deciding whether to waive the immunity of the life senator received testimony from a supergrass who claimed he saw Signor Andreotti embracing Salvatore "Toto" Riina, the alleged Cosa Nostra "boss of bosses" arrested in January.

The committee yesterday received evidence gathered by Palermo magistrates from Baldassarre di Maggio, the supergrass who formerly was a driver and bodyguard of Riina. Signor Di Maggio claimed he drove Riina to a meeting at the Palermo home of Ignazio Salvo, a tax collector linked to Cosa Nostra, attended by Signor Andreotti and Salvatore Lima, the seven-times prime minister's right-hand man in Sicily.

"The people present, who I recognised without a shadow of a doubt to be Giulio Andreotti and Salvo Lima, stood up and greeted us ... Riina greeted all three persons present [Andreotti, Lima and Salvo] with a kiss," Signor di Maggio was quoted as saying. Signor Andreotti has denied any links to the Mafia.

Also sent to the committee were snapshots of Signor Andreotti attending a service at a Rome church with relatives of a presumed Mafia hood, Vincenzo Sinacori. The pictures were confiscated from the home of Signor Sinacori, who is on the run.

Commentators said that the head of state's plans for replacing the government of Giuliano Amato, the Socialist prime minister, had been thrown out of kilter by the unexpected size of the 82 per cent vote for introducing a first-past-the-post electoral system. Signor Amato is to address parliament today and is expected to resign by the end of the week once the president has decided on a replacement for his government.

The extent of the vote for change made the option of asking Signor Amato to form a second government less attractive, *La Stampa* said. "The 82 per cent 'Sì' vote revolutionised many of the plans of the Quirinal Hill and transformed the hypothesis of a second Amato government into a punctured parachute." The Turin newspaper said Mino Martinazzoli, the Christian Democrat (DC) party leader, "might find it convenient to support a Segni candidature to anticipate the revival of the DC under a new name". Signor Segni left the party last month after 17 years.

Eugenio Scalfari, the campaigning editor of *La Repubblica*, called flatly for Signor Segni to be given the job. "If the president wants to give a sense of true novelty and respect for the referendum vote, he ought to be attentive to the debt owed to the men who guided the contest and, above all, to the leader who created and represented with lucid coherence the motor of renewal that culminated in the vote of yesterday."

An opinion poll for TG5 television news showed Signor Segni was the man Italians wanted for their next prime minister. However, Signor Segni has said that he is "not a candidate for anything", apparently preferring to wait for electoral reform to be passed before making a shot for the Palazzo Chigi.

OFFICIAL RESULTS

1, to scrap proportional representation: 82.7 per cent voted "yes"; 2, to end political party funding: 90.3 per cent "yes"; 3, to depenalise drugs: 55.3 per cent; 4, to abolish state bank nominations: 89.8 per cent; 5, to set up new environment watchdog: 82.5 per cent; 6, to abolish the tourism ministry: 82.2 per cent; 7, to abolish the agriculture ministry: 70.1 per cent; 8, to abolish the state participation ministry: 90.1 per cent. Turnout was 77 per cent. *(Reuter)*

ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT

Minister foils Cairo assassins

Cairo: Safwat el-Sherif, the Egyptian information minister, escaped an assassination attempt with minor cuts when gunmen firing automatic weapons riddled his car with bullets.

Muslim militants, long condemned by the minister, 59, were suspected of making the attack, which happened only yards from his home in the Heliopolis district of the capital. His bodyguard and driver were both seriously hurt. Mr el-Sherif left hospital vowing to continue his campaign against Muslim militants bent on turning Egypt into an Islamic fundamentalist state. *(Reuter)*

Ceasefire called

Baku: Azerbaijan and Armenia have agreed to a 48-hour ceasefire in Nagorno-Karabakh to make it safe for a team from the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe to visit before the arrival of a monitoring mission by 600 CSCE personnel looking into communications. *(AP)*

Ozal mourned

Ankara: Relatives, officials and private citizens began filing past the coffin of Turgut Ozal, the Turkish president, whose body lay in state in the parliament hall. The funeral of Mr Ozal, 66, who died of a heart attack on Saturday, will be held today in Ankara's grand mosque. *(AFP)*

Suit rejected

Manila: A court dismissed a suit against Ferdinand Marcos and his widow, Imelda, alleging that the late president took bribes worth thousands of pounds from sugar companies. The judge said that the government was unable to prove its case. *(AP)*

Modrow trial

Dresden: Hans Modrow, 65, the last communist prime minister of former East Germany, went on trial here for allegedly rigging elections in 1989 when he was regional party chief. The communists officially won almost 98 per cent of the vote. *(AFP)*

Yen for love

Tokyo: The Japanese government agreed to allocate 286 million yen (£1.7 million) for the wedding of Crown Prince Naruhito and Masako Owada and other related expenses. The sum includes 3.3 million yen to pay for the wedding dress. *(AFP)*

Holocaust museum brings chill reminder of 'ethnic cleansing'



Roosevelt: "nothing very wrong" with Germany

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

AS SERB forces pursue "ethnic cleansing" in Bosnia, American and European leaders gather in Washington tomorrow to dedicate the Holocaust Memorial Museum, a permanent and arresting indictment of international acquiescence in such atrocities.

President Clinton, who has shied away from direct action to save Bosnia's Muslims, will be there. Representing Britain will be Malcolm Rifkind, the defence secretary, himself Jewish, who has argued from the outset against Western military intervention. Tomorrow these politicians will be compelled to contemplate the morality of their governments' caution.

Constructed a stone's throw from the Washington Memorial, the $168 million (£109 million) museum is the world's largest Holocaust centre, eclipsing Israel's Yad Vashem, and its emotional impact is so undeniable that Bonn offered — in vain — to finance a separate display on postwar democratic Germany.

Researchers have unearthed in secret Soviet and East European archives film of the victims of Nazi medical experiments, of mobile killing squads at work, and of concentration camp suicides, some so shocking that they can be viewed only over "privacy" walls too high for children.

Visitors are given the identities of Jewish victims as they witness how German anti-Semitism built inexorably to the "final solution". They are jolted constantly by a hideously defaced German synagogue, a freightcar used to carry Jews to concentration camps, piles of rusting scissors, spectacles and toothbrushes taken from those entering the camps, the Zyklon B canisters used in the gas chambers, a giant photograph of human hair shorn from 40,000 victims, a room covered with 4,000 blackened shoes of those who died at the Majdanek camp.

The architecture is almost as disturbing — a roofline reminiscent of concentration camp watchtowers, glass bridges that recall the wooden ones that connected one part of Jewish ghettos to another and steel girders in brick walls like those the Nazis used to strengthen the ovens in which they burned their victims.

The parallels with Bosnia are inescapable. There is a letter from John McCloy, assistant secretary of war, to Jewish organisations who had demanded the bombing of railway lines leading to the camps. Such action "might provoke even more vindictive action by the Germans," he wrote.

There is the three-storey Tower of Faces — happy pre-war photographs of the 3,500 inhabitants of the Jewish shtetl of Eiszyszki, Poland, all but 29 of whom the Nazis butchered. There are documents referring to the objective of *Judenrein*, a Germany "cleansed" of Jews.

America's protracted indifference to the plight of Europe's Jews is chronicled in detailed accounts of how Washington chose to compete in the 1936 Berlin Olympics and even "benched" two Jewish athletes (President Roosevelt afterwards suggested there was "nothing very wrong" with Germany); of the 32-nation conference Mr Roosevelt organised in 1938 that effectively turned its back on Jewish refugees; and of how in 1939 the *SS St Louis* was refused permission to dock with the result that most of the 900 Jews on board perished in the Holocaust.

The museum is attracting huge publicity and its officials openly hope it will have a big impact on American attitudes towards Bosnia.

☐ **Jerusalem:** The son of Hitler's top aide Martin Bormann, on his first visit to Israel, expressed grief at the sight of the memorial here to the six million Jews killed by the Nazis. Asked how he felt, the former Roman Catholic priest, also named Martin, said: "Mourning — especially when we came to the place where I saw the names of the thousands of children. Suddenly I was thinking that many names of children were not there. Nobody knows about them and many families just vanished." *(Reuter)*

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Ex-Yard chief joins hunt for Hani murder plotters

BY MICHAEL HAMLYN IN JOHANNESBURG AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

■ The ANC is congratulating itself on having organised the biggest political strike in the country's history. Pretoria fears there will be more of the same

GEORGE Churchill-Coleman, until recently head of Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist branch, was arriving in Johannesburg this morning to join police searching for the conspirators to the assassination of Chris Hani, the general secretary of the South African Communist Party.

He will join a 14-member team of South African investigators, and bring a detective inspector with him as his assistant. He will report directly to Klaus von Lieres und Wilkau, the attorney-general of the Witwatersrand. A second foreign expert to join the enquiry team, most probably a lawyer, is expected to be named shortly.

The African National Congress yesterday congratulated itself on having organised the biggest political strike in the country's history during Mr Hani's funeral on Monday, saying that more than four million people had stayed away from work.

"Considering the scale of the events, and bearing in mind the massive popular anger unleashed by the assassination and numerous other acts of provocation the proceedings were a major achievement by the organisers and by the hundreds of thousands of participants," said Joe Slovo, chairman of the Communist Party, which with the ANC had organised the protest.

"At the same time there have undoubtedly been serious incidents of violence and looting from small and sometimes identifiable elements attaching themselves to activities following Chris Hani's death," Mr Slovo added. He blamed "certain political tendencies", indirectly implying that the Pan African Congress supporters were also to blame.

The ANC tried to implicate the South African police in Sunday night's massacre of 19 people in the Vaal township of Sebokeng. An ANC statement claimed that at 6pm police drove around Sebokeng ordering people to remain indoors, that at 10pm the attackers knocked on people's doors claiming to be comrades, and that the indiscriminate shooting of people started then.

The ANC claims that the attackers were accompanied by two police armoured trucks, and that when residents telephoned the police for help the phones were not answered. The statement draws a close parallel between the Sebokeng killings and last year's massacre in Boipatong near by.

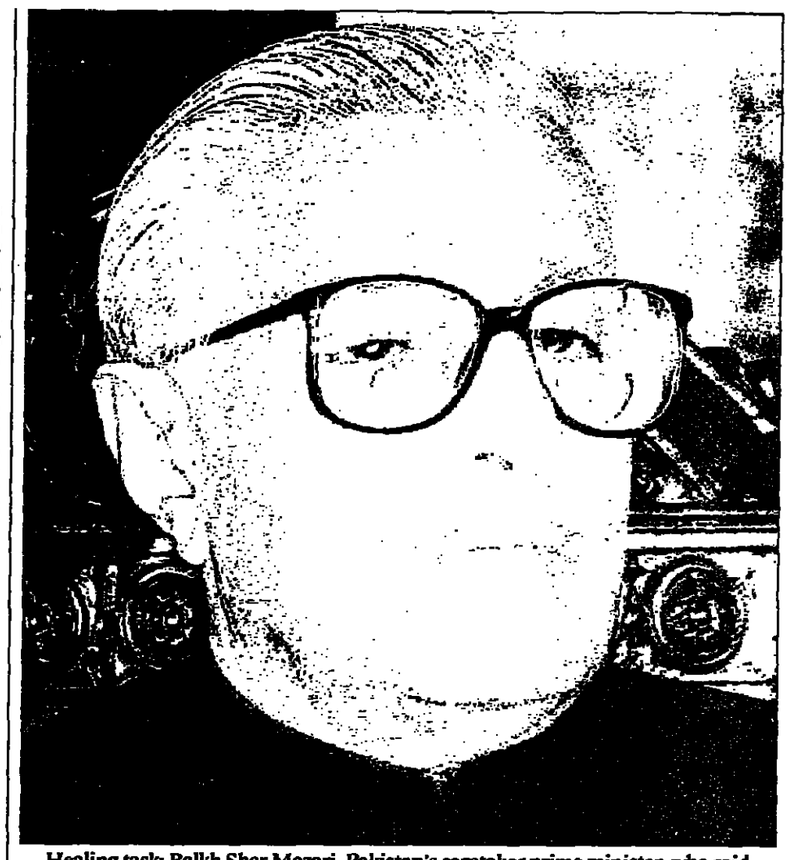
Last night in Strasbourg, a leading Euro MP said the European Parliament was to investigate links between South African and European extreme rightwingers after the murder of Mr Hani.

Glyn Ford, leader of the Socialist group, said after putting forward a motion for the enquiry that there was evidence linking the South African rightwinger, Clive Derby-Lewis, with European extremists. Mr Derby-Lewis, a prominent member of South Africa's militantly pro-apartheid Conservative Party, was arrested after Mr Hani's assassination.

Cyril Ramaphosa, the ANC's general secretary, had suggested that Mr Hani's killing may have been part of a conspiracy involving Mr Derby-Lewis and the Conservative Party. Mr Ford said: "There is strong evidence to suggest links between Derby-Lewis, the Monday Club of the (governing) British Conservative Party and an extremist Tory group called Western Goals."

He added that Mr Derby-Lewis had also been associated with Jean-Marie Le Pen, leader of France's far-right National Front party. "I want the enquiry to establish the extent of support from British Conservatives and extremist groups across Europe — including funding and technical know-how."

Simon Jenkins, page 14



Healing task: Balkh Sher Mazari, Pakistan's caretaker prime minister, who said yesterday he would purge government of corruption and organise elections

Pakistan leader promises clean-up

FROM REUTER IN ISLAMABAD

BALKH Sher Mazari, Pakistan's new interim prime minister, said yesterday his task was to heal political wounds, establish clean government and counter allegations of sponsoring terrorism.

"I have come to be a healer so that the people of Pakistan can breathe a sigh of relief at the end of confrontation," he said. Mr Mazari took the oath of office as caretaker prime minister on Sunday, minutes after President Ishaq Khan sacked Mian Nawaz Sharif's government.

The High Court in Lahore, Mr Sharif's powerbase, is to hear a petition today challenging the president's action.

Mr Mazari said his main aim would be to organise free and fair elections to the National Assembly (lower house) dissolved by President Ishaq Khan. The elections have been set for July 14.

His government includes officials of the Pakistan People's Party of Benazir Bhutto, who said: "Our two parties are together for the first time."

Rio pays court to men who would be king

Brazilians vote today on whether to bring back the monarchy, but many are unclear about the royal option. ***Gabriella Gamini*** *writes*

JONES Graunke proudly holds up a royal crest and spends most of his day stopping passers-by in Rio de Janeiro's busy commercial centre, urging them to "vote for a king". People walk by bemused and mutter: "How can a king be elected?" "Perhaps this is a new kind of democracy?" one wag quipped at the irony of the slogan.

But Senhor Graunke is part of a growing band of Brazilian monarchists who would like to see a royal dynasty — abolished 103 years ago — return to Brazil. The royalists have launched a campaign to convince 90 million people, voting in a plebiscite today, that they should choose to restore a king. "We need morals, sobriety and a strong ethical example back in our society," said Senhor Graunke.

Brazilians will choose between their existing presidential system — which was rocked last November when Fernando Collor de Mello, the former president, was impeached on corruption charges — a parliamentary system, or a constitutional monarchy. Whatever they decide will come into effect by 1995, after general elections.

While opinion polls suggest Brazilians prefer their current system because they are unsure of how alternatives would work, 20 per cent are expected to vote for a monarchy. Support increased after the impeachment of Senhor Collor. Brazil's only experience of a parliamentary system lasted 18 months in 1961 and was followed by a military coup.



Collor: impeachment bolstered monarchists

"Most are unclear about how the different options would work. They really wanted to hear about policy changes to tackle the pressing social crisis and economic chaos confronting them every day, rather than changes in government structure" according to Candido Mendes, a political scientist.

Gastão Reis, the head of the Movement for Parliamentary Monarchy, said: "People question the integrity of politicians. A century ago there was no corruption like now." However, despite advertisements and campaigns telling voters about the virtues of kings, their crusade faces a number of stumbling blocks.

One is that most Brazilians have a fairy-tale view of kings. "The monarchists have no clear view of exactly how a king would fit into the workings of government," said an analyst. Some want an active head of state, others a moral figurehead. The congress would choose the king.

The campaign is also tainted by mud-slinging between the three pretenders, who come from different strands of the house of Bragança. They are descendants of João VI, the Portuguese king who was forced to leave Brazil, then a colony, in 1808 because of the advances of Napoleon Bonaparte. His son, Dom Pedro I, was left as emperor of Brazil and his heir Dom Pedro II took the throne in 1840. Royalists like to boast his rule was marked by "integrity and morality".

Republicans abolished the monarchy in 1889 and forced Dom Pedro II into exile in France but his family was allowed to return 70 years later. Today Dom Pedro II's great-grandson, Dom Pedro Gastão de Orleans e Bragança, 80, is the closest in line.

This aspiring king, who speaks Portuguese with a French accent, rides around his home town on a horse and is popular with some because his six children run all the local businesses in Petropólis and employ the majority of people. But his cousin and rival Dom Luis, 54, says Dom Pedro Gastão's claim was annulled when his father married a Czech countess with no royal blood and signed away his rights.

Dom Luis is also unfit to be king, according to Dom Pedro's supporters. He belongs to the extreme right-wing organisation Family, Tradition and Propriety, which forbids contact with women or children. Dom Luis boasts that he is chaste and this has caused concern. "He could produce no heirs," said Senhor Reis.

The third pretender, João Henrique e Bragança, 38, is far down the royal line but has captured support in Rio de Janeiro because he is a keen surfer and sportsman. But Senhor or "Prince" João is campaigning more like an ambitious politician than a blue-blood, and is also married to a commoner, and is rejected by many monarchists. Yet what is most likely to deter voters from choosing a king is a recent decision by campaigners asking the public, hit by hyperinflation, to fund the royal family.

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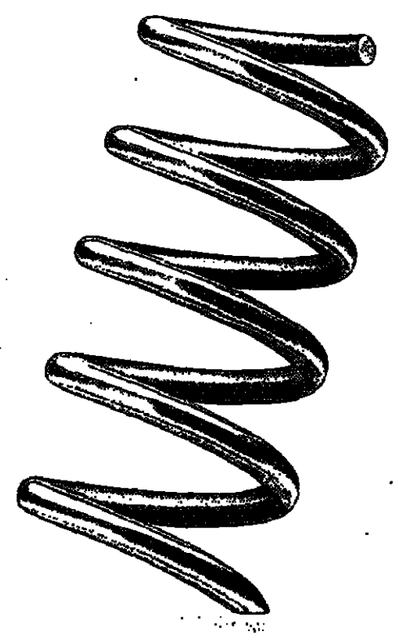
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Simon Wessely ponders the dilemmas facing doctors if a statesman's illness threatens to paralyse government



Were these old men too sick to rule? Brezhnev's long decline, Reagan's operations and Pompidou's battle with cancer may all have changed the course of history

When a leader cracks up

I have this nightmare. I am the consultant psychiatrist on call for my hospital when I am asked to go to the admissions ward. A woman has been admitted, but is creating a disturbance and refusing to take her medication. I go to the ward, and realise I am the only person who has recognised that the new patient is Margaret Thatcher. Far from persuading her to take the medication, I end up taking it myself to shut out the noise.

Having to deal with a patient even more opinionated, dogmatic and imperious than even the average hospital consultant, is every doctor's nightmare. It is a rare event, thankfully, except for one curious group of doctors, those who look after the health, physical and mental, of the world's leaders.

In their new book *When Illness Strikes the Leader* Jerrold Post and Robert Robins show that the medical advisers to heads of state have a difficult task. It is no longer true that the royal physician who lets his illustrious patient die will suffer the same fate, but professional ruin and notoriety will follow any physician who by his mistakes allows his most important client to die, and so changes the course of history.

Sir Morrell MacKenzie was the most famous ear, nose and throat surgeon of Victorian England, and would have been commemorated as such but for one mistake. He was called to Berlin to examine the crown prince, the future Frederick III of Prussia. A pleasant, liberal Anglophile, the prince had begun to lose his voice. Cancer was suspected, but MacKenzie was adamant there was no malignancy. By the time he had changed his mind Frederick was terminally ill. He was succeeded by his son, William II, the infamous Kaiser Bill, who did more than any other man to bring about the first world war.

MacKenzie's catastrophic mistake and subsequent ruin are absent from these entertaining pages, but the book has plenty of other fascinating anecdotes of the clash between power and medicine. It is the authors' thesis that in this conflict medicine usually comes off worst. There are indeed many examples of grim collusions between medicine and political purpose, such as the undignified end of General Franco, kept between life and death to ensure an orderly succession.

Post and Robins also describe the plight of the Kremlin doctors, who had to convince the world that first Brezhnev, then Andropov and lastly Chernenko, were hale and hearty, although every press picture told a different story. The optimism that greeted the arrival of Mr Gorbachev was not anticipation of perestroika, but international relief that at last there was a Soviet leader whose every breath did not seem likely to be his last.

The authors constantly draw attention to the role of the physician in keeping knowledge of their illustrious patient's infirmity from the public. The doctor is often carrying out their patient's wishes but the authors argue that such cover-ups have had catastrophic consequences for history. True, the French public only knew that Georges Pompidou had had cancer when he failed to turn up for a state occasion because he was already dead — but did it matter? It was an open secret that Menachim Begin was severely depressed from the moment of his wife's death, but Israeli policy seemed little affected. Certainly Franklin Roosevelt was desperately ill at Yalta — but even the authors cannot claim that Poland was lost to democracy in consequence.

Indeed, the impaired mental functioning of certain world leaders is hardly a well-kept secret. The authors discuss in detail Ronald Reagan's incapacity after the failed assassination attempt, and claim the president was more cerebrally impaired than the White House news management suggested. A second section deals with the temporary transfer of presidential power from Reagan to Bush when Reagan had an operation to remove a colonic polyp. Afterwards, when senior White House aides had to determine when Reagan had regained his intellectual faculties, they asked the president to read aloud a two-line letter. To everyone's surprise he managed it. And this was accepted as proof of the old man's lucidity.

> A ruler can admit to a heart complaint, but never ever to a mental disorder

It is not surprising that illness occasionally strikes the world leaders. Most are old men, and prone to physical illness. But leaders are also the successful product of a system of survival of the fittest that would make Darwin blush, and are often rather more robust than the rest of us. And as Post and Robins show, the great and good of society never ever suffer from mental illness — instead they are "exhausted", which is always the result of "pressure of work" or "devotion to duty".

Alan Bennett's play *The Madness of George III* was an unforgettable account of the confusion and paralysis that gripped the king's doctors in attempting to face up to the unmentionable — the madness of king. One found the prospect so terrifying that even in his diary he was forced to resort to evasion: instead of his usual English he could only confide "*Rex noster insanit*".

It is just about acceptable to announce that a leader has a heart problem, but a neurological problem is rarely mentioned, and a psychiatric one, never. Usually this does not matter. The system coped well enough with a presidential stroke (Eisenhower), a paranoid defense secretary (Forrestal), a psychotic foreign secretary (Castlereagh), and a depressed, and latterly demented prime minister with a fondness for the bottle (Churchill). Just occasionally the combination of a sick leader and a colluding doctor has made a material impact on history.

Post and Robins consider the case of Woodrow Wilson, whose incapacitating stroke was kept by his doctor from both the American people and government, but devote insufficient space to the consequences. A sick Wilson was unable to persuade Congress to accept the Versailles Treaty and the League of Nations. A fit Wilson would have retained the political instincts and abilities to modify the treaty to make it acceptable, rather than attempt to drive it through. There was almost certainly a majority in the country for the League. The result was the beginning of American isolation, with malign consequences for the course of European history.

Both the authors have apparently advised successive presidents on "the political psychology of world leaders". What do they do? After all, except for the truism that if someone has done something before, he may well do it again, psychology and psychiatry are notoriously bad at predicting future behaviour. One can imagine Neville Chamberlain's political psychologist telling him "Well, Herr Hitler has broken his promises before — my psychological analysis is that he will break them again."

Chamberlain's failure to act was not because he lacked the services of a political psychologist, but because he decided not to act on what he already knew. As Norman Dixon has shown in this masterly *Psychology of Military Incompetence*, bad decisions are rarely the result of not receiving vital information, but of failing to act on the information one already has. The job of a psychiatrist or psychologist is like that of the historian — not to predict the future, but to understand the past.

● When Illness Strikes the Leader *by Jerrold Post and Robert Robins is published this month by Yale University Press (£19.95).*

A wooden actor for Hollywood



LIBBY PURVES

Noddy is off to Hollywood to be a big-screen star. Are we proud? Is the bell jingling bravely on our national hat? Or are we a bit embarrassed? From his birth in 1949, Noddy has never been a favourite of the intelligentsia. Librarians throughout the 1950s tried to ban him for sheer banality and poverty of vocabulary — the latter "drained of difficulty", as one wrote, "until it achieved a kind of aesthetic anaemia". Down the decades assorted vocal parents, driven mad with frustration at having to read the damn things to undiscerning tots, have tried to wriggle out of Noddy duty by inventing powerful intellectual arguments against him.

In 1958 an article in *Encounter* deplored him for representing welfare state dependency, because he never manages to get himself out of trouble without running to Big Ears. Other moralists pointed darkly to the famous passage in *Hurrah for Little Noddy!* (1950) in which he and the bearded Brownie squeezed into a "tiny, soft bed, put their arms round one another to stop themselves from rolling out, and fell fast asleep".

Nearer our own time, the politically correct bandwagon rolled over Noddy in turn, flattening out the robbing, mugging golliwogs into "culturally transparent" goblins.

Now there is talk of introducing "trans-generational bonding" and other useful social values; although I notice that Tessie Bear is still distressingly prone to say "Ooh Noddy, you are clever!"

None of it has worked. The BBC series and the books based on it are still as infuriatingly weak and bland as Blyton herself: weaker, if anything, for their outbreaks of political correctness. This has its own pitfalls: they replaced the dubious golliwog figures with beaky-nosed goblins for the TV series, but the first three people to whom I showed the pictures said, each independently, "Goodness, are they meant to be Jewish?". I rather unkindly told this to Mark Hall of the animation studios, and you could hear him go pale, even over the telephone.

But never mind all that. Toytown is in for yet another visual incarnation: in Cannes this week the BBC was hard at work selling its newly acquired screen rights in the little wooden bore to "a leading Hollywood producer".

Much as we may harrumph about Hollywood treatments of classic children's characters such as Peter Pan or Mowgli, it is impossible to feel anything but relief at the thought of the movie-makers mucking around with Noddy. Because the whole point of Noddy, the thing that enrages critics and reassures dim parents, is that there is actually *nothing there at all*. No meaning, no artistic impetus, no character.

He was, remember, the first of the utterly manufactured, illustrator-led commercial children's characters.

He was not born like, say, Thomas the Tank Engine, from a railway-mad clergyman's genuine passion. He is not a riveting grotesque, like the creatures of older fairy-tales: he lacks the wayward magnetism of Roald Dahl's Enormous Crocodile, or Jill Murphy's grumpy father bear in *Five Minutes' Peace*.

Noddy was a test-tube creation, cobbled up by the publishers Sampson Low. They picked up a Dutch artist, Harmsen van der Beek, with a lively line in brownies and bluebells, and harnessed him to a seasoned hack called Enid Blyton, already with an eye to the spin-off merchandising package. Noddy and his friends were downmarket, cynical and empty.



Noddy and pals: hardly friends of mine

But what Noddy has is instant familiarity. Parents who grew up with him, however bored they were at the time, are lazy and sentimental enough to buy him for their children even though there is far better fun available. Little children are kindly critics: it is observable that few of them return to Noddy in nostalgia later on.

In a tough market, Noddy is bankable. Hollywood may be the answer. A teenage mutant Ninja Noddy could only be an improvement.

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Life's a book, and then you write it

The fairground mirror relationship between art and life is as old as prehistoric cave-paintings. Philip Larkin's verses would never have contained such caustic comments had he not been such a curdled old character himself. Nor would Dylan Thomas have rolled off such screeds of alliterative onomatopoeia had he not been blethering into a bottle most nights.

It is inevitable, therefore, that when Jilly Cooper, arch-poetess of suburban sex romps, bashes out another thumping 600-page "bestseller" (the routine pre-publication prophecy) of town and country adultery, her own marriage should come under the microscope.

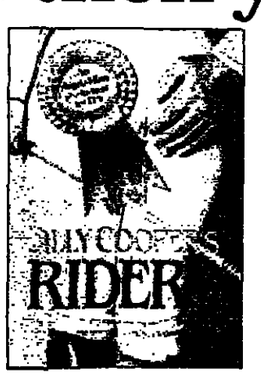
Just under three years ago Ms Cooper discovered that Leo, her husband of three decades' standing and by her own gushing admission the model for many of her romantic heroes, had apparently been taking lessons from her plots and enjoying a "bit on the side". Not just occasionally, but in a relationship that had lasted for the better part of six years and ended, inevitably, in kiss-and-tell newspaper exposés. The unanswered question, therefore, is how much the painful betrayals in Ms Cooper's new novel, *The Man who made Husbands Jealous*, are based on her own experience.

The question has certainly been posed, by one after another of the gushing female interviewers sent by the mid-market newspapers to probe delicately into Ms Cooper's affairs in the hope of winning her readers for themselves. It is a symbiotic relationship: Ms Cooper and her marketing women know that the crossover between readership of the *Sunday Express*/*Mail on Sunday* and the package holiday, airport paperback market is vast. And nothing spices fiction better than a hint of genuine human pain being borne bravely by the author, particularly when her latest book talks of a betrayed wife feeling "as rejected as ragwort in a field of cows".

Ms Cooper's replies have echoed those of her great literary forebears: insisting that her work is wholly fiction, while admitting that events in her personal life inevitably influence her writing. That an echo of her own experience of adultery might also help sales is something she is obviously prepared to grin and bear, at least at a time when she is launching not only a new book but a television series based on her sex-and-showjumping novel, *Riders*, and a celebrity photo session shoot by *Tatler* in Morocco.

> How much are the betrayals in Jilly Cooper's new novel based on her own experience? And would she tell anyway?

Here the symbiosis with the middlebrow middle-class is complete. Ms Cooper's books have much in common with the old *Daily Express* which used to run articles on how to care for mink coats, knowing that its female readers did not have them but liked to think they read the same newspaper as women who did. The secret of success of Jilly Cooper's books is that most of her readers think she belongs to the upper class; her secret is that she knows she does not.



Jilly Cooper's charm is that she can can be disarmingly frank, even about the *Tatler* glamour groomers' attempts to transform her rhubarb crumble complexion into peaches and cream. But like television soap opera stars whose popularity — and therefore the rating of their show — is increased dramatically by a touch of human trauma strategically leaked to the tabloids, the suspicion that the latest silly romp actually conceals an insight into Jilly's soul is simply more fuel for the mix of voyeurism and escapism that sells such novels in the first place.

Ms Cooper is dismissive about suggestions that her lusty tales — set in the improbably-named county of Rutshire (geddit?) — are based on any sort of reality for a woman of 56. But there are parallels that go beyond the fact of her husband's "away games". She admits her 13th-century Cotswold home is the model for the house of her charming cad Rupert Cambell-Black. Her tennis court is the real-life setting for the improbable scene where Rupert and his lover Sarah played nude tennis, an idea I have always considered as preposterous and impractical as that other middle-market fantasy, sex in a sauna. The make-believe women of Rutshire pine for handsome strangers while their husbands are dallying with their secretaries in town. Jilly and Leo are now reconciled, but he still spends three days a week working in London while she lives in Gloucestershire. Jilly may deny that she has ever run off stark naked into the night, but she admits that she knows someone who did.

Yet she is in good company. The scrutiny of writers' private lives for the souls of their fictional characters is an old and international tradition. Back in 1840 the Russian poet Lermontov — himself a bit of an aristocratic poseur who claimed descent variously from the Spanish dukes of Lerma and the Scottish lairds of Learmont — was accused by his critics of modelling his cynical hero Pechorin on himself. He denied this, blaming the public for naivety: "The public is young and simple-souled and does not understand a fable unless it has a moral ending. It does not understand jokes or feel ironies; it is simply badly educated." The book was called *A Hero of Our Time*.

Ms Cooper, in contrast, would like her public to draw the moral lesson that, however much of a hoot it may seem at the time, adultery causes pain. For many of her women readers, she is also a hero of our time. I just hope that if the parallels between art and life continue to run close, she will have more luck than Lermontov. His hero was shot dead in a duel: and so was he.

PETER MILLAR

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Tatjana, Christy, Yasmin and Naomi … a cascade of publicity has ensured that they never need to use their surnames

Super-models or superbly marketed?



RACHEL KELLY

Advertisements, especially those for the leading car companies such as Vauxhall, are not produced these days without considerable amounts of research into the nation's psyche. It was with interest, then, that I noted the firm's new advert for its Corsa motor car. Standing atop of an upside-down red car is a lady with blondish hair brandishing a wooden hammer. "Tatjana can't wait to test the Corsa's all-round safety cage", says the accompanying slogan.

Most readers could be forgiven for being rather confused. Tatjana? Tatjana who? And what has she got to do with cars? All is revealed in the copy at the bottom of the advertisement. The Corsa, you see, is a super-model, just like Tatjana.

Super-models have arrived in the mass-market mainstream. Once the preserve of those who talked about frocks not dresses, *eau de nil*, not grey green, super-models are out of the fashion closet. Not only do they dominate our bill boards, there is now a magazine devoted to their every waking moment, the recently launched *Supermodel*.

I tried my three local newsagents for a copy. Two were sold out: one hadn't heard of it, but I doubt that such a situation will last long. The magazine is said to be booming. Super-models have even breached the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York. Christy Turlington is having her bust composed in clay at the museum's Costume Institute.

Super-models have become even more famous than their already-famous beaux. Richard Gere was thrust back into the limelight when he married Cindy Crawford. Simon Le Bon made it into *Hello!* magazine, because the mother of his baby was Yasmin. Whoever steps out with Naomi, as *Elle* magazine puts it, is transformed from has-been to happening.

Super-models, as is probably obvious, are always known by their first names. No one in the know would ever make the faux pas of talking about Tatjana Patitz or Christy Turlington or Naomi Campbell, but always Tatjana, Christy, or Naomi. Vauxhall has done its homework.

These are the girls who, in the words of one of them, don't get up for less than $10,000 a day. There are about half a dozen of them, of all nationalities, but Britain is well represented. (Both Naomi and Yasmin fly the British flag.)

Every now and then, a new model is elected to the super-model club. Kate Moss was the latest entry. Super-models are wealthy, famous, young, beautiful and boring. For all that is written about them, anything resembling a personality is hard to find. This becomes painfully obvious when such girls are asked about anything other than the subject of their beauty routine.

In deference to their worldly attributes, interviewers make the mistake of imagining that such girls must be asked for their views on the state of the nation, or their belief in God. What a mistake. It is hard to take seriously those whose interests are a marriage of aromatherapy and international politics. I don't believe you can seriously be interested in both.

Even their views on beauty are suspect. Half of the coterie are in the hands of cosmetic giants. Cindy Crawford, for one, is signed up with Revlon. The other half are so beautiful that their tips are less than useless for the rest of us. What does it matter if Claudia says her top tip is to drink masses of water? Even if we did drink buckets, few of us would ever look like Claudia, an even more beautiful version of Grace Kelly.

Nor can we listen much to their views on clothes. Even sackcloth would look good on these girls, and they don't wear sackcloth anyway. Unsurprisingly, in view of the models' high profiles, designers are not immune to the advertising benefits of such girls wearing their outfits. Even if they are not given the clothes, it is not as though super-models have to worry about their Access bills.

Far more useful, to my mind, would be a new type of model. What a fashion spread really needs to tell the readers is what the clothes might look like on you, not what they will look like on Naomi or Tatjana or Christy.

Models would reflect the every day problems of those who buy clothes: one could be pear-shaped, one long-waisted, another with short legs, a third with a small bust, a fourth who was top heavy.

They would be in good shape, mind, and attractive, so that readers could still dream, but their dreams would be married to reality. Models would help readers to address the issues that most women have to grapple with: how to make a short person look tall and elegant. (Wear one colour?); how to make your legs look longer; (wear scooped out shoes?); all with models who illustrate these points.

These would be true super-models, not just the results of clever marketing, which has elevated a half-dozen girls to super-model status. As pretty as such girls undoubtedly are, they really are no different from the vast run of other models.

Don't lose your ragga

Alice Thomson finds that the latest music and fashion fad is more to do with sex, rhythm and Lycra than guns

Saturday night at the Vox in Brixton. The dance floor is heaving with girls in skimpy flounced satin, transparent net dresses and velvet bras festooned with beads. Make-up dribbling down their faces, gold jewellery jangling, their hips gyrate to the sound of ragga, their lycra-clad buttocks sway to the beat. The men lean against pillars, a few in multi-coloured "click" — baggy suits, most in slashed jeans and dungerees, mesh vests, trainers or ballet pumps.

Just as you thought you had got to grips with grunge, got your hair suitably greasy, and bought your jungle of love beads and your crocheted hat, along comes the next fashion movement vying for attention — ragga.

Both styles spring from the music scene rather than the catwalk. While the grunge couldn't-care-less look was exported by Seattle's nihilistic bands, ragga comes from the dance halls of Jamaica. Both are hard-edged, rebellious, and sport bare midriffs. Both look ludicrous on the over-25s.

There the similarity ends. Where grunge is all about wan Kate Mosses in tattered, tie-dye bell-bottoms, shrunken jumpers and with dirty fingernails, ragga is about cleavages, red nails and glamour. Ragga girls spend hours layering lace over lycra. They sculpt elaborate hairpieces and extensions and wear little underwear. Grunge girls don't even have time for a bath and they wear Y-fronts.

Where grunge evokes a despairing white and middle class angst, ragga is black, positive and aspirational. "It shows you feel good about your body and your femininity and it's fun getting dressed up," says Hayley Jay, a 17-year-old trainee hairdresser.

Short for raggamuffin, the reggae-based music started in Jamaica and arrived in Britain via New York nearly two years ago. Consisting of rapid rhythmic Jamaican *patois* lyrics to the snap of the drum machine, it only started to become mainstream when three ragga artists, Shaggy, Shabba Ranks and Snow, recently occupied the top three singles chart placings. Then last week a fan was shot in the back at a ragga concert at Le Palais in Hammersmith and a man sprayed semi-automatic gunfire around a ragga dancehall in Bristol, causing the media to wake up to the trend.

It is not having to squeeze into lycra again that is causing alarm, but the violence of ragga and "gun" lyrics. At concerts the singers, called "DJs", compete with each other on separate sound systems for the allegiance of the audience. Fans occasionally salute their hero DJs with a volley of shots (usually blank)

> 'When you feel that bass throbbing, it takes over your heart. I don't take drugs but that's the high I get'

which goes down even less well in Britain than it does in Jamaica and New York. The 12th Annual Reggae Awards due to be held in May at Le Palais have now been cancelled.

Another aspect causing concern is "slack" lyrics, which are sexually explicit and demeaning to women. The sight of teenage girls getting off on rhythms as sexist as they are sexual alarms feminists as well as many reggae traditionalists. DJs like Shabba Ranks have also caused deep offence to Outrage, the homosexual activist group, who are appalled by his assertions that homosexuals "deserve crucifixion".

But often songs are closer to morality tales from the streets and ghettoes, such as *His Body Comes Down*, which encourages prostitutes who sell their bodies for sodomy to reach for a better way of life.

Many reggae and ragga fans disassociate themselves from the more violent lyrics. Most are bewildered as to why live shots were fired and do not feel the music should be held responsible.

Kennedy Mensah, ragga critic for *The Voice* newspaper, says, "People shouldn't dwell on the negative side of ragga. It's a fun music which should be taken with a pinch of salt and is enjoying worldwide success. Everyone is looking for the next big ragga DJ. Sometimes the lyrics do get out of hand and do not make good social commentary but they are like dirty jokes: they shouldn't be taken out of context."

As for the male chauvinistic lyrics he says: "Maybe from the outside they seem misogynist but it's mostly lighthearted and it's the women not the men who seem to get off on them. Shabba is the ladies' favourite."

Most ragga dancehalls have more women than men. While men tend to spend more on cars and gold chains, the women spend money on clothes. "There's an energy about ragga that's exuberant. When you feel that bass throbbing, it takes over your heart. I don't take drugs but that's the high I get," says Mr Mensah. Ganja (marijuana) is all most ragga dancers take.

On Sunday night at Night Moves in central London, a soul, reggae and ragga club, there is only cursory frisking at the door. The dancers are slightly older and more demure: men in sharp black trousers, silk shirts and ties. Women in a fantastic array of glitzy backless dresses, jackets clinched at the waist with large spangly belts, white fishnets and false eyelashes.

Candice Peters comes to the club to relax most Sunday nights. "I like being complimented on my body but young teenagers sometimes go too far and get crude. The rest of us just enjoy the beat, which is great." Her boyfriend Bill Griffiths prefers the softer soul. "A girl should look curvy but not obscenely explicit when she moves and some teenagers go too far. I don't like these DJs' chauvinist fantasies. But it's great that the good stuff is going mainstream. For years reggae has been overlooked and underpromoted," he says. Most people there said they would not go back to a ragga concert until the fuss had died down.

COLIN PATTERSON



Lycra look: "A girl should look curvy but not obscenely explicit when she moves." Other opinions can be cruder

On the other side of town, in Brixton, *Back To The Planet* and *Eat Static* are playing at The Fridge. The scene could not be more different. Rat-haired teenagers slouch around on a beery floor in serious vegging clothes. Katie Shawcross, a 17-year-old student says, "I loved *Oh Carolina* by Shaggy but ragga's not really my scene. It's too dance-orientated and I wouldn't be seen dead in all that Lycra. I think it will go the same way as British rap, which just fizzled out."

It is difficult to say whether ragga's bandwagon will roll through the summer. Sheldon Thomas for one is dubious about whether he wants it to become as pervasive as grunge. He is a spokesman for Brother, which campaigns against violence in the black community, and his BBC 2 documentary *Black On Black Violence* recently picked up an award. Although he is pleased that ragga has picked up support among white teenagers, he is concerned that blacks will lose out if it is commercialised. "A lot of ragga DJs will get signed up one minute and dropped the next when the fad has gone. Blacks have spawned loads of fashions but we never seem to get any money from it.

"If ragga goes mainstream it will leave the violence behind, because it will be mixing with another culture. So white middle-class parents don't have to worry. It will be a song in a club or a costume for Kylie Minogue. No one will bother to go back and address the reasons behind black violence and the origins of ragga."

Hugh will do nicely

Confirmation names have a special power

Ann Widdecombe, the social security minister, will today be received into the Roman Catholic church as a spiritual haven free from the immediate threat of women priests. She has announced that she is to take Hugh as her confirmation name.

Her choice of a masculine name is not a public demonstration of her rejection of female priests. On confirmation, the candidate takes the name of a saint irrespective of gender as particular patron, and there is a tendency, for women at least, to take a name of the opposite sex. There are more male saints on the calendar and they tend, as in the secular world, to have been richer, more powerful and famous, and sometimes even holier than the females.

There are no fewer than 20 Hughs catalogued as canonised or at least beatified in the roll-call of the blessed, ranging chronologically from Hugh of Rouen, a bishop scholar who resigned his plural offices to die as a plain choir monk about the year 730, to Hugh Green of Peterhouse and Douai, who was hanged for his faith in 1642.

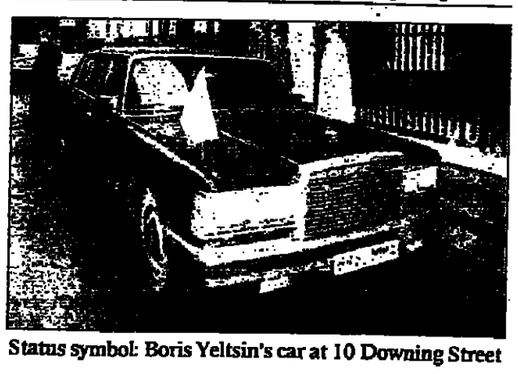
Hugh's roots are Teutonic, from the Old German *hugu* meaning "heart" and "mind". It was introduced into Britain in its French forms by the Norman invaders, and was particularly popular in the Middle Ages. This was due largely to St Hugh, Bishop of Lincoln (about 1135-1200), a fine patron for a politician concerned with social services. He refused to come over from France to found the first English Charterhouse until Henry II had given alternative accommodation and compensation — "to the last penny" Hugh insisted — to those turned out of their homes to make room for his monastery.

He vigorously supported the common people against the king's foresters and began the rebuilding of Lincoln Cathedral to its present form, as the finest cathedral in Christendom. And he hurried back from difficult Cabinet meetings to his prayers and his pets. Hugh's tame swan was famous, and became his emblem in art.

PHILIP HOWARD

Shame of driving a Volga

To be stripped of perks in Russia is to lose all, **Anne McElvoy** says



Status symbol: Boris Yeltsin's car at 10 Downing Street

In the annals of bad days at the office, there cannot be many that rival the one Russia's vice-president Aleksandr Rutskoi experienced last week. The second most-powerful man in Russia left home to find that his bullet-proof Mercedes limousine had been replaced by an unreinforced Russian Volga. Arriving at the Kremlin, he discovered that his team of bodyguards had been reduced and his personal doctor dismissed, all on the orders of President Yeltsin. The same afternoon, he was stripped of his post in charge of agricultural reforms, which probably hurt less.

The rebellious Rutskoi had paid the traditional Russian price for disobedience to the ruler, whether he be tsar, communist or would-be democrat. The highly public removal of Mr Rutskoi's perks was a humiliating reminder that, for all the pomp brought by office, it is the state that giveth and the state that taketh away.

This is not the first example during Mr Yeltsin's reign of such unsubtle punishment. He pursued Mr Gorbachev last year like a modern reincarnation of the Eumenides when the former Soviet leader refused to testify before the constitutional court in the trial of the Communist party's legitimacy, swapping his glossy Tschaika for a Volga, seizing part of his institute and its computers and preventing him from travelling abroad.

On the bumpy and perilous roads of Moscow, you are what you drive. In his government Mercedes, Mr Rutskoi could sweep imperiously up the reserved lane in the middle of the capital's highways and the traffic policeman would ensure a smooth passage through the hoi-polloi. A Volga — the vehicle of middle-ranking government officials — does not have the same effect. Our office driver hooted rudely at one the other day and looked only a trifle mortified when I pointed out that it might have the vice-president in the back. "Well, if he's come down so far in the world, he'll have to fight it out with the rest of us," he said.

In Russia perks are not just a symbol of high status, but provide a real cushion against the blows of a relentlessly hostile environment. The scaling down of bodyguards is a particularly nasty insult in a country where taking pot-shots at the mighty is a popular pastime. Mr Yeltsin himself is said to have escaped eight assassination attempts in the past year. Mr Rutskoi's spokesman was inconsolably aggrieved that his master's guard had been reduced to "about the same number as might be available to the head of a small commercial bank" — about the size of most western leaders' entourage anyway.

Mr Yeltsin's attacks on the privileged lifestyles of the party elite won him popularity in the late eighties, and it is both in his political interest and in his character to embrace the simple life. He prefers vodka (lots of it) to champagne and admitted to President Clinton over dinner in Vancouver that he had never eaten seafood before. He still lives with his wife Naina in his old three-room apartment on Tverskaya St — a modest address compared with his flamboyant arch-foe, parliamentary chairman Ruslan Khasbulatov, who has moved into Brezhnev's old apartment on the grandiose Kutuzovsky Prospekt.

Mr and Mrs Yeltsin's personal perks pale into insignificance beside the splendour enjoyed by the previous management. Where Raisa Gorbachev rose effortlessly to the status of Russia's most hated woman by wielding her Kremlin American Express card with gusto on every foreign trip, Naina Yeltsin does not even bother to look at the shops on the rare occasions when she accompanies her husband abroad. She dresses in frumpy home-grown designs and rarely wears jewellery. On her visit to London last autumn, she could be seen tugging nervously at her emerald earrings, lent by the Kremlin for the occasion, to check that she had not lost them.

The Russian leader clearly relishes removing his enemies' privileges far more than he enjoys exercising his own — the humiliation of Mr Rutskoi brings him no personal gain, it was just for fun. His office showed that it had a spiteful sense of humour as well as a hearty appetite for revenge when it accompanied the expropriation of the vice-president who has sympathies with the nationalist camp with the comment: "We thought that replacing his German-made car with a Russian one would help Rutskoi's standing with the patriots."

The trouble is that it just might increase his sympathy rating with a lot of others as well, so that the next time the repossession man calls, it may be Boris's turn to learn to love a Volga.

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Alan Coren



■ Never forget: anything supplied, so long as it's not grey and wrinkled

Do you know what *Omnia omnibus ubique* means? It means you ought to be able to get an elephant if you need one. This is certainly what Ronald Reagan was told it meant when, early in 1984, he needed an elephant. At that time, the great president was not yet a great president, he just wanted to be a great president, and the elephant being the symbol of the Republican party, Mr Reagan had taken it into his head, where there was always room for such things, that it would be a pretty smart trick to have a live elephant around for conventions, clambakes, and so forth, on the off chance that it might just provide a photo-opportunity to underwrite his candidacy as a fine upstanding Republican traditionalist. And I, of course, am more than happy to endorse his explanation, for only a cynic would wonder whether what he was really after was the electoral plus of having his snapshot taken next to the one thing in the world more wrinkled than he was.

Now, because he did nothing without first checking it out with his radiant consort, it fell to Nancy to come up with the goods, and this she duly did. For not only was she a lifelong customer of Harrods, she had also cut those impeccable teeth of hers on *Kennedy's Shorter Latin Primer*, and thus knew that the Harrods motto, *Omnia omnibus ubique*, translated as "Everything for everyone everywhere". So she put in a call to Knightsbridge, and received the now legendary (but, I swear, checkably true) reply: "Of course, modom, African or Indian?" For that was in the high and far-off times, O Best Beloved, when Harrods was just so, and you could get an elephant's child right away, though a full herd, of course, might take a little longer.

But the times are now low and near-to, which brings us to Miss Judith Stevens, if I am any judge, even if not the one charged with adjudicating at the Croydon industrial tribunal which has just told Mr Gary James that Harrods unfairly dismissed him. You know the story, you read the papers: Miss Stevens went into Harrods' pet department, failed to see what she wanted, went into a storeroom to see if they stocked it, but received only a piece of Mr James's mind which led to her complaint, his dismissal, and the Croydon balance finding Harrods wanting. What your newspaper did not, however, reveal, was the identity of the animal that Miss Stevens was so assiduously attempting to buy.

So, knowing how frantic you might become at this lacuna (I have an uncanny instinct for readerships, I have been in this game a long time), I rang Harrods to enquire. They couldn't or wouldn't tell me. At which point, I slipped the horseshoe into the glove: might it, I enquired, have been an elephant? There was a long pause. Why, they said finally, do you ask? Because, I replied, it is well known that Harrods can supply anything, in support of which ringing claim they invariably instance the elephant, and almost as invariably instance the Reagan enquiry.

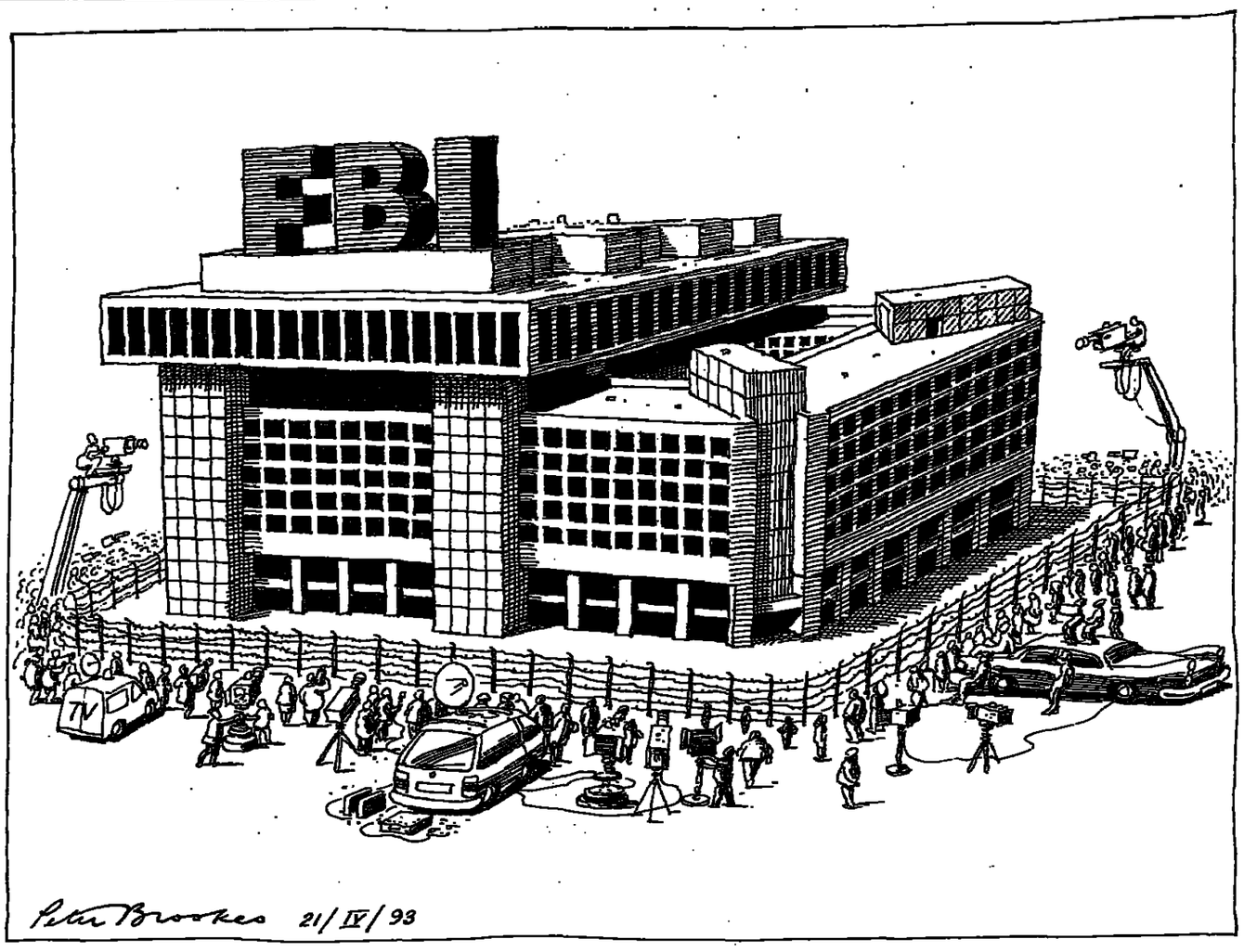
Not any longer, said Harrods, that was then, this is now, and these days were are ellie-friendly. I begged their pardon. It means, they explained, that not only do we no longer sell elephants, we sell nothing that has come from elephants, no waste-basketed feet, no elephant-hair bracelets and, Harrods continued keenly, did you know that this very week marks the 100th anniversary of our piano department, and we are particularly proud of the fact that none of our piano-keys has ever been near an elephant?

Now, even while I was congratulating him on the centenary (will Her Majesty send a celebratory pianogram, command Alfred Brendel, perhaps, to pop down there and bang out "Happy Birthday to You" on an ecologically impeccable Steinway?), even, indeed, as I was privately applauding their decision to make the world a better place for pachyderms, I could not stay the growing conviction that an elephant must have been what Miss Stevens was after. Might Mr James have then read the environmental riot act at her, she have countered in flawless Latin, and one thing have led to another, ie Croydon finding for the plaintiff?

"Tell me," I said, "is your motto still *Omnia omnibus ubique*?"

"Indeed it is," he replied.

"Then I'm afraid you have only yourselves to blame," I said.



The Great Barter goes on

South Africa's parties are not expecting the apocalyptic future that so many speak about: they are busy sharing out power

Simon Jenkins

The death of the South African black leader Chris Hani is a tragedy but not a disaster. He was that rarest of politicians, a man who could translate demagoguery into *Realpolitik*. He was charismatic and pragmatic. He understood the balance of power in his country. He had won the confidence of the white-led army, and was a plausible future leader. That is why he was killed.

The result has not been the predicted bloodbath. "Political violence" in South Africa is, according to the Race Relations Institute, at its lowest level since 1989, even after Hani's death. Huge efforts have been made by black leaders to end intercommunal killings. (You would not believe it to watch television: any corpse will do to illustrate a cliché about "the descent into chaos".)

So what is happening? South Africa refuses point blank to conform to the apocalyptic model which analysts have tried to impose on it since the Soweto riots of 1976. That model is a lurid picture of white fascist repression, bloody black rebellion, white retribution, stern outside intervention, the collapse of order and the advent of black rule. The hands on this clock are always set at five minutes to midnight. Time is always running out. Everything from the birth rate to the price of gold spells doom. Karl Marx may have been wrong everywhere else, but here on the tip of Africa he can make his last stand.

This is rubbish. I have been visiting South Africa for 15 years, and the model has served neither as analysis nor as prediction. It still underpins news reports, congressional enquiries, sanctions and debates. The one blessing of the model is that for two decades it has kept South Africa politically and economically isolated. Americans, Europeans, the United Nations, everybody has twiddled thumbs and waited for "Afrikanerdom to collapse". It has not done so. This has protected both black and white leadership from the curse of divided societies, meaningful intervention by foreigners.

Meanwhile, sanctions disciplined the South African economy and probably strengthened it. The country was not inflated and rotted by IMF and World Bank loans. Behind a protectionist wall, imports were cut and exports promoted. South Africa had to manage its budget and restrict capital outflow. Moaning about the economy is second only to rugby as a national sport, but the result of the sanctions is the most powerful commercial machine in the southern hemisphere.

My preferred model to help explain South Africa is different, and messy. There is no tidy post-colonial handing over of the seals of office, no lowering of the flag, no sounding of the last post. There is simply a continuation of the Great Barter, the negotiated change in the composition of South Africa's ruling élite. The ANC's moderate leadership, tenuously built around Nelson Mandela and the party boss, Cyril Ramaphosa, is as frightened as President de Klerk of full and early elections. Under proportional representation, the ANC is unlikely to gain an overall majority of seats. Its immaturity and factionalism would be on public display.

The barter in which both leaders are involved is as old as the hills. It is that of a ruling élite widening its popular legitimacy in exchange for a share in the spoils of office. Such bartering is far more true to the historic spirit of Afrikanerdom than the futile escape into apartheid of the 1960s and 1970s. It is a barter for group survival. The deal is taking two forms: co-opting leaders of the ANC into actual government, and setting up a separate, rolling debate on constitutional change. This debate has democracy on the horizon, but with a gulf of fog in between.

Co-option is well under way. To the visitor, South African politicians are extraordinarily pally. They meet at conferences, at seminars, at negotiations, on holiday even. And they talk power. There are no intermediaries, no elder statesmen, no interfering great power diplomats. It is as if years of isolation have left both sides with nobody else for conversation: when Mr Mandela left Robben Island for a mainland prison, the former state president, P.W. Botha, was said to have genuinely enjoyed their occasional chats.

President de Klerk and Mr Mandela are likewise close. They made separate television appeals for calm following Hani's killing. They now stand together, joint leaders of their country, despite neither having won a nationwide election. Those who predicted that both of them would by now be undermined by extremists have been proved wrong.

The finance ministry has a full corporatist structure in place, discussing with the black unions and the ANC's economics team everything from housing policy to the budget. The dismantling of food price control has been delayed, and subsidies have been maintained in response to black pressure. Afrikaner nationalism's socialist roots have been refertilised by contact with township politics. Chris Hani was involved in integrating the army command. By the end of the year, Mr de Klerk's interim executive council will formalise this multiracial coalition.

Few involved in the constitutional debate expect or want an immediate handover of power to the ANC. All know that the result would be a shambles. (Africa has come far since the 1960s.) Mr Mandela acknowledges that full black rule is unlikely until the turn of the century. He knows that the economy and South Africa's fractious politics need stability and a strong hand at the top if there is to be any progress towards a new constitution. Stability must be built upon a new *de facto* white-black coalition.

That coalition was most evident at last year's March referendum on Mr de Klerk's negotiations — "the last white election". It embraced English and Afrikaans-speakers, businessmen, sportsmen, the ANC leaders, even the Communist party. All faced down the far right and beat it. Every few months an incident grabs the headlines and seems to threaten the coalition's survival. The exponents of apocalypse predicted that last year's Potchefstroom by-election and the Boipatong and Bisho massacres would mean the end of negotiation and the onset of "mass action" leading to rebellion. They said the same of this week's funeral of Chris Hani. Violence may be increasing in the townships. With the end of migration control, these are growing towards Latin American dimensions. But to dignify this mostly criminal violence as "political", merely to sustain a defunct analysis, is dishonest. South Africa's shanty towns cannot expect to be different from those of Brazil or Argentina. They are violent places and their violence can sometimes takes a political form. But governments seldom fall as a result.

Those who wish to worry about South Africa should worry less about the extremists, hog the headlines and sow mayhem though they do. The centre will hold because it has too much to lose, and the firepower and ruthlessness to keep it. South Africa is too rich a prize to be sacrificed to the guns of the right or the pangas of the left.

In any new constitution emerging from the negotiating process, I believe the dangers will lie elsewhere. The new white-black coalition is already centralist, some would say socialist. All talk of devolving power to regions founders on the twin leaderships' fear of losing power and patronage to the periphery. The wild card, Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, is demanding *de facto* independence for Natal. This is being refused. The constitutional think-tanks that bubble round the negotiations are heady with such words as "confederalism" and "consociationalism", with Swiss and German and American templates of devolution. They murmur about blocking thirds and fancy franchises. They seek geographical codes for differentiation by colour and tribe.

To the panjandrums of the coalition, of black and white nationalism, this is all waffle: they want one South Africa, one central power, one party, one state. Yet if recent world history teaches any lesson, it is that divided societies do not live happily under unitary constitutions. From India to Yugoslavia, from Ireland to Spain, from Canada to Northern Ireland, sane constitutional reform begins with devolution. Power must be shared not just within the élite but with groups that are best represented by partially self-governing regions. This is not a choice. If devolution is ignored, regions will wield the secessionist veto. Pretoria will never hold Natal to a unitary constitution. If President de Klerk and Mr Mandela cannot see that, then no consensus will hold for long. Devolution must be negotiated or conflict and partition will follow. Does anyone need telling that today?

Stay out of Bosnia's turmoil

We lack resources to intervene, says Woodrow Wyatt

In 1876 Gladstone was 67, the same age as Baroness Thatcher today. He stopped leading his party the year before. *Deeply stirred* by the atrocities against Bulgarians by the Turks, he bombarded the conscience of the country with a rapidly selling pamphlet. He demanded the Turks be cleared out of the countries they ravaged, particularly if they were Christian. This won him enormous popularity and by 1880 he was prime minister again. Lady Thatcher's rousing call for action in the former Yugoslavia has made many wish, here and abroad, for her return.

Gladstone spoke for a great power. Though he could not make Turkish subjects in Europe wholly free, he helped ameliorate their lot. Gladstone's pressure on Turkey failed to create stability in the Balkans, and the first world war started in Sarajevo 20 years after his last term as prime minister. Lady Thatcher speaks from a country where, when she was prime minister, the shredding of our forces was planned, begun in 1990 and continues apace. The RAF and the Royal Navy are in rapid decline, and the army, with a fighting strength of 144,000 when Lady Thatcher initiated the cuts, will soon be down to 104,000. So her calls for quick and lasting action to quash the Serbs cannot be met by us.

Lady Thatcher was the greatest peacetime prime minister since the 1832 Reform Act. Because of her achievements, Britain will get out of the recession fastest of the EC countries, but I fear she has little understanding of the complexities of the former Yugoslavia.

There are about 8,300,000 Serbs, 4,500,000 Croats, nearly 2,500,000 Muslims, 1,800,000 Slovenes, 2,210,000 Albanians, 1,350,000 so-called Yugoslavs — plus others. The Serbs, like most Russians, are Slavs and Orthodox. Croatia is Roman Catholic, and has frontiers with Catholic Hungary where people are terrified of being dragged into the conflict. Serbia is stuffed with the latest Russian land and air fighting equipment, much of it superior to any in America or the EC. After Croatia declared independence, generally recognised internationally, the Serbs advanced into it. Lady Thatcher, and I too, thought Croatia should have the arms needed for defence. In various ways, Croatia got some arms.

Alas, there are few large definable areas where one race is not mixed with the others. Hence the "ethnic cleansing", wherever one side can inflict it on others. Because the Serbs are the strongest, we hear mostly of their cruelty. But Croats and Muslims are also guilty of war crimes. Serbia refuses to sign the Vance-Owen plan for Bosnia-Herzegovina. It becomes clearer daily that Serbia and Croatia intend to carve the place up between them.

A harsh peace was imposed by the Turks as they moved westward in the 15th and 16th centuries. They first took Bosnia (part of Hungary), then Serbia and the greater part of Hungary proper. They stayed in Hungary for 150 years, but 340 years in Serbia and Bosnia. That is why there are so many Muslims, mainly descended from those forcibly converted by the Turks, yet still fervent for Islam.

We weep as we see the despair amid slaughter on television. We delude ourselves if we think the outside world can provide a permanent solution, other than by stationing an international force of half a million for at least 30 years, which it won't. Popular sentiment momentarily favours intervention, until other mass tragedies on television shift the focus. It is the duty of President Clinton and John Major to resist being sucked in to a situation worse than Vietnam, from which there will be no gain or exit. Humanitarian help, yes, but not one British serviceman should be put into battle. It may be a disgrace to Europe, but those in the former Yugoslavia are responsible for it and only they can end it. Foreigners urging sanctions against, and aid for, different participants will only prolong the agony.

World service

WITH anti-Serb sentiment growing by the hour, it may be surprising to find a blossoming seed of support for one of the lesser known institutions in the Serbian capital. British radio and television personalities have launched a crusade to save the Belgrade radio station, B92. It is threatened by imminent closure because of the UN sanctions against Serbia.

Jonathan Dimbleby, Michael Grade and Nick Ross are among many who have signed up with the Friends of B92, an organisation lobbying the Department of Trade and Industry. The group wants the small but popular station somehow to be spared the stringencies of sanctions.

B92 is run by volunteers whose stated mission is "to oppose war with creativity and humour". Its staff were found recently on the street corners of Belgrade handing out "It's spring and I'm in Serbia" badges to cheer its population. But such gestures are now impossible. Sanctions mean costs have quadrupled: basic items of equipment, including cassette-tapes, are becoming almost impossible to obtain, and impartial commentary on the conflict is jeopardised, say the broadcasters.

Nick Ross, whose *Call Nick Ross* programme tackled the Bosnian crisis yesterday morning on Radio 4, said support for B92 was vital. "So much of the violence is fuelled by absurd beliefs and rumours that it is vital to have a dispassionate and independent voice on the conflict. Sanctions were designed to minimise the war, but in this case they appear to be doing the opposite," he said. Dimbleby, the dispassionate voice of the battle-scarred BBC, agreed. "I'm behind them, partly because I'm a broadcaster," he explained. But don't hold your breath. He has no plans to hand out button badges yet.

● *THE champion Scottish shinty team, Fort William, is celebrating its centenary with commemorative ties. But the souvenirs for the hockey-sticks and haggis clan have been emblazoned with the figures 1883-1993. It took a 12-year-old son of a committee member to spot the club had aged by ten years.*



Glorious chance

IF THEY can't swing the vote in the House of Commons, the Tory Maastricht rebels are at least being offered another venue. The Duke of Richmond, who keeps his views on Europe very close to his chest, has offered his magnificent West Sussex home, Goodwood House, for a debate on Europe. The motion: "This house believes that the ratification of the Maastricht treaty is in the best interests of the country."

Pitting Tory against Tory, the motion will be proposed by Sir Peter Horden, MP for Horsham. Against him will be the increasingly outspoken William Cash, MP for Stafford.

It will be the first formal debate at Goodwood, and was arranged by the duke's nephew, Anthony Gordon-Lennox. "This will really show up the divisions in the Tory party because all four speakers are Conservative MPs," he said, almost gleefully. It will also provide a valuable insight into what a referendum might show: the bookies say Cash is odds-on favourite.

● *Baroness Thatcher's influential call to arm the Bosnian Muslims has not gone unheeded in York. The Friargate Waxwork Museum dusted down its wax model of the Iron Lady after two years in storage and restored her yesterday to Downing Street. The museum's director, Trevor Hunt, is simply responding to demand: "We have had an upsurge of people asking where she is, so we redid her hair and pushed John Major to the side. No one is interested in John Major."*

DIARY

Figurehead

AS THE first works of sculpture arrive at the Royal Academy this week for the Summer Exhibition, lobbying for a new president of the RA is in full swing. Sir Roger de Grey stands down this year, at 75, and his successor will be elected in December.

Sir Richard Rogers, the modernist architect, is said to be among the frontrunners, who also include painters Tom Phillips, Anthony Green, Allen Jones and Ken Howard. Whether any of them can be persuaded, however, is altogether a different matter says Sir Roy Strong, former director of the V & A.

"It is an unpaid, thankless job and will only be taken on by someone who is happy to abdicate his creative career. Roger de Grey, poor man, has hardly painted a picture since he has been president." Sir Hugh Casson, president from 1976 to 1984, says the tact and loyalty needed would ideally suit a woman — but the one he wanted has sadly died: "Dame Elisabeth Frink would have been perfect."

Classic choice

A NEW president has, however, been found for the Classical Association, doughty defender of Greek and Latin, in Colin Haycraft, chairman of the publisher Gerald Duckworth. Haycraft admits, however, that he has yet to read the Latin translation of *Noddy and Big Ears*.

In this case, the duties are not onerous. "All I have to do is give the presidential address at the next conference." But will he manage to achieve even that? For Haycraft, though a popular choice, is said to be a touch, well, scatty. "He's a delightful but unpredictable man. What is needed is for his wife, Alice Thomas Ellis, to tie a knot in his handkerchief to remind him to come to next year's conference, and to write the speech," says a friend.

A day for patriots



THE present Lord Nelson has added his name to the campaign for Trafalgar Day to replace the May bank holiday. Turning a blind eye to the objections of Morris dancers, the ninth earl states categorically in *The Field* this month that his illustrious ancestor would have approved.

Worries of a resounding French "Non", should be dismissed — they could have their Bonaparte day. "Half of them know next to nothing about the Battle of Trafalgar, and the other half could not care less. The French stand up for France. We should take a leaf from their book and do what we wish to do, not what others tell us. After all, do we consider German feelings when we celebrate Battle of Britain Day?"

Britain needs confidence in itself, he thunders. "If people do so much the better. National pride never hurt anyone."

IRON IN THE ASHES

Lessons from Texas to Washington to us all

Among the wreckage of the compound at Waco lie questions more unsettling than the inferno that ended the siege. The fire that destroyed the Branch Davidian cult has granted its leader, David Koresh, the ghastly apotheosis for which he longed. He has made good his prophecy that he would "die by the flames of hell"; but in so doing, he has forced many in America to examine their consciences. He has forged from a bloody Texan siege a parable of modern life.

Every age has its cults and millennial movements: every society has a fringe that holds a mirror up to the mass. Thirty years ago, a fanatical group such as the Branch Davidians might have celebrated permissiveness and free love, riding the wave of imminent social change. Yet the joyless family that arose around David Koresh sought just the opposite in his evil, exploitative regime: authority, certainty, community. Denied method elsewhere in their lives, his followers found method in his madness.

To seek solace in lunacy makes sense only when nothing else does. And this is what Americans fear: that their most treasured institutions are bankrupt, that their freedom has turned to riot, and that the moral revolution of the 1960s has finally torn out society's deepest roots. Under the heading "No Guardrails", the *Wall Street Journal* argued in a leading article last month that the gunning down of an abortion doctor in Florida perfectly captured the extent of the degeneracy. Across the political spectrum, the newspaper argued, there has been a profound shift "away from community and family rules of conduct and toward more autonomy, more personal independence. As to limits, you set your own."

So great was the public response to this thesis that the *Journal* reprinted the piece in a full-page advertisement in the *New York Times*. The precise claim that the birthplace of the new amorality was the 1968 Democrat National Convention, when established politicians mingled with anti-Vietnam dissidents, was fiercely challenged — and with force. Yet in many other respects the *Journal's* jeremiad struck a deep chord. The ringing should be heard on both sides of the Atlantic. Although the 1960s heralded much that was positive, the massive increase in social freedom that began in that decade has not been an unalloyed gain. Faith in freedom is the root of democracy, but freedoms arbitrarily bestowed have been the prison bars of hopelessness.

With Bill Clinton in the White House, the American mood may be beginning to grasp that truth more fully. Party politics is quieter. Among liberals and conservatives alike the unsayable can for a while be more easily said: that, for example, it is the underclass, rather than the liberal intelligentsia, that has paid the price for permissive legislation and the tearing down of moral boundaries; that in America, children in single-parent families are six times as likely to be poor and two to three times as likely to have psychological problems; that a disproportionate number of them drop out of high school, become drug addicts or break the law.

This grim litany of statistics prompted *The Atlantic Monthly* this month to proclaim provocatively that "Dan Quayle was right". Last year, the Republican convention's emphasis upon family values was judged to be the tactical error for which George Bush (not to mention Mr Quayle) paid the ultimate electoral price. Less than six months after the Republicans' defeat in the polls, the moral battle that the New Right launched has returned and is no longer being fought on party political lines. Millions of Americans now crave a definition of "family" in which they can better believe.

For President Clinton and his attorney-general Janet Reno, the failure to negotiate a peaceful end to the Waco siege is an immediate political embarrassment which was only partly talked away yesterday. The president reared on protest politics had only tanks and tear gas to offer the spiritual outlaws of his own era. The man who avoided the Vietnam War looked alarmingly ineffectual in his first presidential brush with violence. But Mr Clinton should be quickly asked to look beyond the question of FBI tactics. As the first of his generation to reach the White House, he claims to have thought all the more deeply about the impact of the 1960s upon the 1990s. As the successful product himself of a single-parent family, he has his own reasons to take a lead in the debate that is fast moving up from behind the headlines.

We in Britain should not be left behind. Yesterday the bereaved relatives of those many slain in the Waco fire mourned their loss and must have wondered what unsatisfied yearnings persuaded their loved ones to stand by a madman. This strange Texan tragedy must become our tragedy too. No less than in America, the ashes of Waco should encourage re-evaluation of the institutions and conventions that are supposed to bind our society together but have ceased to do so. Here, too, the permissive legislation of the 1960s has conspired with the fierce individualism of the 1980s to erode the notion of civilised restraint. When Baroness Thatcher said there was no such thing as society, she meant that individuals should seek support in their families and neighbourhoods. Sadly, that message has been lost; the underclass has grown and the institution of the family has become more ramshackle.

Subcultures and religious sects will sometimes grow in societies that are excessively repressive. But they have all too clearly prospered in this atmosphere of uncertainty and moral restlessness whose symbols are the teenage joyrider and the New Age traveller. Weak and listless government has fuelled contempt for the law. The teachers' boycott of national curriculum tests is just the latest example. The Church is as war-weary as it was in November when the General Synod approved the ordination of women priests. Youthful lawlessness drives the government into one panic measure after another. As the pillars appear to totter, political thinkers are dusting down their copies of Hobbes to see how a new Leviathan might be constructed.

That is not the answer. The guardrails will be rebuilt not by bureaucrats but by Burke's little platoons — families, parents, employers, churches and local groups. Oddly perhaps, the best hope of reconstruction lies with the very generation that tore the rails down in the first place. As the forceful "baby boomers" born between 1946 and 1961 come of age, they will demand a society in which they can grow old, in which their children will be well educated, and in which the streets are safe. That demographic pressure will play a powerful part in the politics of the next decades.

For British politicians who aspire to be statesmen rather than placemen there is much to do. After 14 years of dithering and conflict, they must build an education system which actively propagates the core values, language and literature that bind together a truly multi-cultural society. They must urge the churches — however minor — to assume moral responsibility and to affirm respect for law. Above all, they must actively defend the concept of family, encourage those who shoulder their familial responsibilities and penalise those who do not. For Western leaders, the application of these fire-hardened truths could scarcely be more difficult or more pressing.

WOODEN O REVIVED

The new Globe must be a stage for theatre not bardolatry

This week-end, after an interval of three-and-a-half centuries, the players are staging Shakespeare again at the Globe. Their play is *The Merry Wives of Windsor* in German, by an all-male company, in modern dress. Their stage is still a year from completion, the weather forecast is wet, and the theatre has been removed 300 yards from its original site. But that old pro Shakespeare was no stranger to such backstage alarums and excursions at his Globe, in which he had a share, and where he performed, evidently without much distinction. His first theatre there burnt down in 1613, after an over-naturalistic discharge of a peal of ordnance at the entry of the king in *Henry VIII*. It was rebuilt the following year.

The resurrection of the Globe is a romance worthy of Prospero's wand. Its Prospero and onlie begetter have been the American actor, Sam Wanamaker, who has sacrificed film career and money to his magnificent obsession. Forty-four years ago, as a young swashbuckling lead, he was shocked to discover that the only memorial of the most famous theatre in the world was a dingy plaque in a derelict wasteland of warehouses in Southwark. It is now 22 years since he founded his Globe Trust to raise money to rebuild the Globe both architecturally and geographically as close to its predecessor as possible. In spite of accusations of elitism, and pettifogging, the project has now progressed so far that, should they build no more, returning were as tedious as go o'er. With a bit of luck and one last heave, and some more money, the Globe will reopen next year on Shakespeare's 430th birthday.

This new Globe will be as authentic as possible. Only materials available at the end of the sixteenth century are being used, from bricks in the Elizabethan style to the thatch; and all modern theatrical artifices from spotlights to canned music will be banned. The little festival on the site this week is to proclaim that the end is in sight — the wooden O is rising again above its foundations on the South Bank — and to drum up more publicity and cash, exercises with which Shakespeare too was familiar.

It is not even inappropriate that they are playing the Protean playwright in German this week. Because of their fine translations, Germans since Goethe have regarded Shakespeare as an honorary German, in the same way that it is smart to prefer the English versions of Proust to the original. And Shakespeare's verse does go better into German than French, where "Thrift, Horatio, thrift" comes out with banality as "De l'économie, Horace, de l'économie".

It is important that the new Globe becomes a centre for productions of ever-living Shakespeare, not a museum or a Falstaffland theme-park. Shakespeare himself would have welcomed many of the wonders of modern stage technology. Provided the eminent theatrical directors of the Globe remember that the play's the thing, this resurrected cockpit will be big enough to hold the vasty fields of France, and the rest of the globe that Shakespeare put on stage. The new Globe can be an ornament for all seasons, even though those unfortunates in the pit will still be rained upon. London needs more live Shakespeare in all styles and stagings, not more bardolatry or pious antiquarianism, however authentic.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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The reality of intervention in Bosnia

From Mr David Pryce-Jones

Sir, In plain language, Simon Jenkins is saying (articles, April 14 and 17) that foreigners know no better than to murder each other, and therefore can only be left to get on with it. This used to be known as the "Little Englander" attitude.

To establish that it is also *realpolitik*, Mr Jenkins calls in aid the events of Beirut in 1982, when Western troops landed but were evacuated a year later.

Peace arrived, he writes, when "Lebanon's factions finally exhausted themselves". Far from it, peace was imposed by a massive and purposeful armed intervention from Syria. The resulting *pax syriana* exposed the weak will and token gestures of the West.

Arguments for human and moral surrender can usually be dressed up as *realpolitik*, and Mr Jenkins does so with passionate casuistry. That is for him and his conscience. Whether he correctly assesses *realpolitik* is quite another question.

Had the Serbs been met with equivalent force a year ago, the Bosnian calamity would have been prevented. Serbs have similar ethnic or territorial aspirations in Kosovo and Macedonia, which they may try to realise next.

All over the former Soviet Union, would-be imitators of Milosevic are calculating whether they can rely on blind eyes and turned backs to carry out aggression in pursuit of power. Is it *realpolitik* to suppose that murder is just their local business?

Are not the events of this century already sufficient evidence that Little Englanders, like the rest of us, in the end have to do — at far greater risk and cost — what could and should have been done earlier?

Yours faithfully,
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April 17.

From Sir Patrick Duffy

Sir, The Labour party's toughened stance on the conflict in Bosnia (report, April 17) is timely and appropriate. It recognises that, quite apart from humanitarian considerations, the war has reached a decisive stage.

If the Vance-Owen plan is to be sustained in face of such objections from the Bosnian Serbs as are still entertained by Dr Radovan Karadzic in his letter to you of April 16, then the time has arrived for both tightened sanctions and an ultimatum challenging Serbian military power.

Nato squadrons drawn from Britain, France, The Netherlands and the United States are available for those air strikes called for by Mr John Smith. It may not be coincidental that they were the only countries within the alliance whose parliamentary representatives at the North Atlantic Assembly whilst I was its president — in late 1990, on the eve of the Gulf war, but also at the time of disintegration in Yugoslavia — were prepared to consider out-of-area activity.

I believe that those countries are still the only Nato powers with the requisite political will and military capability to mount operations in Bosnia on any scale.

Did any of those 17 Labour MPs who called last week for ground troops in Bosnia consult with Nato parliamentary colleagues and also ponder on the numbers required, from which country, for how long, at what cost, in pursuit of what objectives, and the constraints imposed by Nato consensus and UN authority?

Yours faithfully,
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April 18.

From Mr Daniel Traynor

Sir, The "real issues" (Dr Radovan Karadzic's letter, April 16) are surely that the Bosnian Serbs are responsible for the intentional massacre of innocent children and the politicians of the Western world are prepared to condone this activity by doing nothing. The Bosnian Serbs are responsible for mass rape, murder and ethnic cleansing. What additional horrors have the Bosnian Serbs to commit before the West takes action?

Yours sincerely,
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April 17.

From Professor David Marsland

Sir, Simon Jenkins's argument against decisive intervention in the Balkans is mistaken and misleading. If the free world does not act to resist aggressive, expansionist tyrants, even though there are risks, we shall gradually lose our freedom. Croatia and Bosnia should be welcomed into membership of Nato. The Serbs must be stopped.

Yours sincerely,
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April 14.

Faith and tension within the Church

From Mr C. W. Sellars

Sir, I am an Anglo-Catholic layman of more than 50 years' standing who has obtained immeasurable spiritual benefit from the liturgy and the advice of Anglo-Catholic priests, who include some of the most saintly men I have known. Perhaps ironically, I am not opposed in principle to the ordination of women, but I objected to its introduction now on the grounds that it would create chaos within the Church of England at a time when it was already under stress. Indeed, so it has!

Many fine priests are being forced into the prospect of denying the validity of their Anglican orders and much of the content of their Anglo-Catholic faith in order to become priests within the Roman Catholic Church. Anglo-Catholic laymen, like myself, face a desperate uncertainty about their future within the Church of England; relations with the Roman Catholic and Orthodox Churches, which have so greatly improved during my lifetime, are undeniably jeopardised.

Anglo-Catholics, both priests and laymen, must strive to maintain their position within the Church of England and rally to the support of those who are active in the cause. Sadly, there are many within the Church who would welcome our demise — witness last year's proposals to close Mirfield and other leading theological colleges (letters, November 5 and 12, 1992).

We must see that their wishes are not fulfilled.

Yours sincerely,
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April 9.

From Mr Nicholas Drummond

Sir, Your report (April 20) on the deliberations of prominent Anglo-Catholics suggests there is deepening concern about the implications of the ordination of women.

But why should anyone in the Church of England be the least bit worried about the opposing clergy who plan to defect to the Roman Catholic Church? There will now be about 1,000 vacancies for new priests. Who better to fill them than the many women who have waited so long to be recognised as worthy communicants of God's message?

Rather than dividing the Church, the end result may well be a more united Church of England than we have seen for some time.

History may even come to view the departing priests' mass exodus, not as an act of debilitating schism, but as one of virtuous sacrifice.

Yours faithfully,
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April 20.

From Mr A. R. F. Carter

Sir, The current discussion by churchmen and non-churchmen over the fate of those Church of England clergy and their congregations who are unable to accept the ordination of women to the priesthood may give the impression that it is only certain of those within the Anglo-Catholic wing of the Church who have a dilemma. There are at the same time many evangelical Anglicans who are not able to reconcile the accessibility of the priesthood to women in the Church with the teaching of Scripture.

For us the Roman option is clearly unthinkable and there is no serious denominational alternative. Our dilemma is that we believe fully that the Church of England, though less than perfect, is by virtue of its adherence to the Catholic creeds, the 39 Articles and the Book of Common Prayer, the nearest one is likely to achieve on earth to a balanced biblical church order. This we do not wish to abandon.

Some of us also feel that the present Archbishop of Canterbury, who comes from among us, shows us scant sympathy. We too have the possibility of declaring "no go" status to our parishes as far as women priests are concerned, but that cannot be what any serious Christian in our Church really wants to see.

For myself as a lay reader, the issue will become fully pertinent only when the first woman bishop is consecrated, as must inevitably follow. The same political pressures that have accompanied the present issue must make that likely to be sooner rather than later.

Yours faithfully,
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April 17.

From the Rector of Bath Abbey

Sir, I found your headline, "Easter church crisis turns heat on Carey" (later editions, April 10), to be very misleading.

The debate on the ordination of women began long before George Carey became Archbishop. The decisive vote — that there was no theological objection to ordaining women — was taken in 1975. Those proposing to leave the Church of England should surely have departed when the Church adopted synodical government, not when two thirds of its General Synod voted to ordain women priests: their difficulty lies in their unwillingness to accept the synodical vote.

Since then the Archbishop has led the bishops into a unanimous vote on how to accommodate dissidents. It is sad that some are unable to accept this procedure.

Yours faithfully,
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Tibet, an example

From Mr John Billington

Sir, There are many reasons why we should be impressed by the example of Tibet and the Dalai Lama (William Rees-Mogg's article, April 8), but being rewarded for compassion and restraint is not one of them. Lord Rees-Mogg would not think that "Buddhist patience has ... saved ... Tibetan culture" if he had visited Tibet.

If Tibetan culture has survived, it is not thanks to any accommodation by the Chinese, but primarily to the hospitality of India, whither the Dalai Lama and many of his followers fled and where they have remained for more than 40 years.

In Tibet the physical ruins of more than 6,000 monasteries (centres of learning) and numerous *dzongs* (administrative centres) lie strewn over hillsides for all to see — so much rubble.

Three thousand young Tibetans, mostly in their early twenties, crossed the Himalayas on foot in 1991 to find in India an education that they cannot find in Chinese-run Tibet, which, as Lord Rees-Mogg suggests, is by far the poorest area under Chinese control.

The remaining quarters of indigenous Tibetan architecture, Shöl and Barkhor, in what used to be the exclusively Tibetan city of Lhasa, are being pulled down to make way for Chinese concrete blocks of flats. Recent visitors who had conducted a survey reported 12,000 Chinese shops in Lhasa, against 300 Tibetan. Chinese farmers are being encouraged to farm on the outskirts of Lhasa as part of the policy to submerge and obliterate Tibetan culture.

I cannot forecast what Peking will do to Hong Kong, but if the example of Tibet is anything to go by Hong Kong will have little or no autonomy. We are surely right to insist that the Hong Kong people have some democratic say in their future. This might "infect" other areas of China or provide an alternative successful model to centralised dictatorship.

Pace Lord Rees-Mogg, there is no evidence that lying down in front of a juggernaut leads to anything except being crushed.

Yours etc,
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April 8.

Qualify, or else

From Mrs Sian Flynn

Sir, Rather than offering a prospective employer a £1,000 bounty to give his 15-year-old son a job (report, April 12, earlier editions), Mr Morrey should offer the boy £100 for every completed term at school until he finishes his education at 18, with either NVQs (national vocational qualifications) or A levels under his belt. He should hand over the last £100 on the day his son is accepted for further education.

For the sake of the boy, and the future of this country, we need a well trained workforce to take us forward to the 21st century. No child should leave school equipped only for unskilled labour.

Yours faithfully,
SIAN FLYNN,
Kiwane Lodge, Valley End,
Chobham, Woking, Surrey.

Of pawns and prejudice

From Mr Stewart Reuben

Sir, Mr J. Chalmers Park (letter, April 13) asks about the practice of holding separate women's chess events. Women are not excluded from major chess activities. Thus, Judit Polgar, the highest-rated player ever of either sex when aged 12, won the World Boys' Championship. This surely was the most unlikely of all her achievements! She is still trying to qualify for the inter-zonal stage of the new World Championship cycle, which should culminate in 1995.

However, there are female-only events because men are at present better players and this is one way of encouraging women to compete. The reasons for male superiority are unknown and have been the subject of much speculation. There is no prejudice in the observation that Judit, now aged 16, is the only female player rated in the world top 100, although her sister Zsuzsa is only just outside that list.

I imagine the same would be said for draughts or bridge. But it would delight most chess administrators if there was no reason to distinguish between the sexes.

Surely snooker is different? Females are disadvantaged when playing on a standard table.

Yours faithfully,
S. REUBEN (Director, Home Chess, British Chess Federation),
11 Haversham Close,
Twickenham, Middlesex.
April 13.

Law made easier

From Sir George Engle, QC

Sir, In his somewhat lurid article, "A curse on Britain's lousy law-makers" (April 7), Matthew d'Ancona makes a good point when he says that British courts are left to their own devices to forage through the statutory undergrowth in search of Parliament's intentions.

This problem is discussed in the recently published report, *Making the Law*, of the Hansard Society Commission on the Legislative Process (of which I was a member).

After concluding that some means should be found of informing the citizen, his lawyers and the courts of the intention underlying the words of a statute, the report recommends that, for every act of Parliament, notes on sections, explaining the purpose and intended effect of each section, should be prepared by government departments, with the assistance of parliamentary counsel, by updating the notes on clauses (and notes on amendments) prepared for ministers.

As one who worked for 30 years as a parliamentary draftsman with access to the notes on clauses prepared for past acts, I am convinced that the recommended system would make life easier for all concerned.

Yours faithfully,
GEORGE ENGLE
(First Parliamentary Counsel, 1981-6),
32 Wood Lane, Highgate, N6.
April 7.

Foreign tributes

From Earl Lloyd George of Dwyfor

Sir, Your obituary page today contains tributes to (in alphabetical order) a Cambodian, a Turk, a German, a Portuguese, an American and a Serbian. Whilst not doubting the distinction of any of the foregoing, I have to confess that I had never heard of any of them, which shows what a sheltered life I must lead. But were there no Britons worthy of commemoration?

Yours faithfully,
LLOYD GEORGE of DWYFOR,
Ffynone, Boncath,
Pembrokeshire.
April 14.

Animal magic

From Mr Michael Hammerson

Sir, Your article, "Tool-making monkey helps build picture of early man" (April 14), stated that archaeologists claim a closer understanding of how humans first developed tools through observing a chimpanzee. It apparently learnt to make progressively more sophisticated stone flake tools after first watching humans at work.

I fail to see how this gives us any closer insight into how the first humans produced tools. Whom did *they* watch?

I remain, your bemused servant,
MICHAEL HAMMERSON,
4 Bramalea Close,
Highgate, N6.
April 14.

Middle East arms

From the Head of Mission, League of Arab States

Sir, Your leader ("In bad faith over Israel", April 12), argues that the Arab League's position on the Chemical Weapons Convention is "obstructive", while commending Israel for taking the risk of signing the convention in the absence of peace.

Yet it is well known that Israel refuses to sign the older and arguably much more important (in terms of the risk to global security) Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, which the Arabs have signed, without earning similar opprobrium from you.

Israel has also acquired a nuclear arsenal in defiance of the treaty.

Regrettably, Arab security concerns are too often given short shrift by Western commentators. They are inclined to see the issue solely from the perspective of the notional Arab threat to Israel, rather than from the Arab side, where the Israeli threat is physically very manifest, historically and actually, and appears ever more daunting.

The Arabs therefore feel aggrieved when they are taken to task for not acceding to a treaty limiting one variety of weapons of mass destruction (chemical and biological) while their adversary's development of the much more powerful kind is quietly condoned.

If it is acceptable for Israel to argue that nuclear weapons would be dismantled only in the context of a final peace treaty, why should it not be so for a similar Arab argument in the context of the Chemical Weapons Convention?

The only equitable, rational and practical approach would be to insist on the dismantling of *all* weapons of mass destruction in the Middle East.

Yours sincerely,
GHAYTH N. ARMANAZI,
Head of Mission,
League of Arab States Office,
52 Green Street, W1.
April 14.

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COURT CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE
April 20: The Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Dominica was received by The Queen.

Her Majesty, Patron, this afternoon visited the Royal Army Chaplains' Department, Bagshot Park, Surrey, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant (Mr Richard Thornton).

The Queen toured the headquarters, escorted by the Chaplain General to the Forces (the Rev James Harkness).

Mrs John Dugdale, the Rt Hon Sir Robert Fellowes, Major James Patrick and Major General Brian Pennicott were in attendance.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh gave a dinner party at Windsor Castle, at which The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, and The Duke of York were present. The guests were:

The Prime Minister and Mrs Major, His Excellency the Ambassador of the Republic of Cameroon and Madame Bol-Alima, the Lord Alexander of Weedon (Chairman, National Westminster Bank) and the Lady Alexander of Weedon, Sir Michael Angus (Chairman, Whitbread plc) and Lady Angus, Dr John Biggs (Chairman, Free Church Federal Council) and Mrs Biggs, Mr Ted Dexter (Chairman, England Cricket Committee) and Mrs Dexter, and Lieutenant Colonel Simon Falkner (Commanding Officer, Household Cavalry Regiment) and Mrs Falkner.

The Duke of Edinburgh, Marshal of the Royal Air Force, today attended a ceremony to mark the disbandment of Royal Air Force Germany at Rheindahlen.

His Royal Highness later visited the Rathaus, Mönchengladbach.

The Duke of Edinburgh arrived at Heathrow Airport, London, this afternoon from Germany.

Mr Brian McGrath and Wing Commander Christopher Moran RAF were in attendance.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
April 17: The Duke of York, Colonel-in-Chief, the Royal Irish Regiment, today attended a luncheon for the Freedom of the Borough of Carrickfergus, County Antrim, Northern Ireland.

Captain Rupert Maitland-Titterton and Major Joyce Gillison were in attendance.

April 20: The Prince Edward, Trustee, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, today gave a Luncheon at Buckingham Palace.

His Royal Highness, Chairman, the International Council of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award International Association, this evening attended a reception given by the Anglo Mauritian Association, St James Court Hotel, Buckingham Gate, London SW1.

CLARENCE HOUSE
April 20: The Hon Mrs Rhodes has succeeded Ruth, Lady Fermoy as Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.

ST JAMES'S PALACE
April 20: The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, this morning received the Secretary of the Duchy of Cornwall (Mr David Landale).

YORK HOUSE
April 20: The Duke of Kent, President, the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, this afternoon visited the Institution's headquarters at West Quay Road, Poole, and was met on arrival by Major General Mark Bond (Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Dorset).

His Royal Highness later opened the Lytchett Minster and Upton Community Association's new Community Centre, Poole Road, Upton, Poole, Dorset.

Captain the Hon Tom Coke was in attendance.

The Duke of Kent, Patron, the London Philharmonic, this evening attended a concert at the Royal Festival Hall. Commander Roger Walker, RN, was in attendance.

The Queen celebrates her birthday today.

Today's royal engagements

Prince Edward, as Chairman of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Special Projects Group, will attend a reception given by the Mayor of the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead at the Guildhall, Windsor, at 6.20 in support of the award.

The Princess Royal, as President of the Save the Children Fund, will visit the Robert Milne Family Centre, Felixstowe Road, Ipswich, at 1.45; and the Newmarket Family Project at Houldsworth Valley School, Newmarket, Suffolk, at 3.00.

Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester, as President of the North London Collegiate School, will open the School's swimming pool, Canons, Edgware, at noon.

The Duchess of Gloucester, as Patron of the Iris Fund (for Prevention of Blindness), will attend a performance by Opera Interludes at Goldsmiths' Hall at 11.30.

The Duke of Kent will open the new college of technology at Dudley College of Technology, The Broadway, Dudley, at 10.30; as Vice-Chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board, will visit Binding Sight, Institute of Research and Development, Birmingham Research Park, Vincent Drive, at 11.45; will attend a reception at the Birmingham Chamber of Industry and Commerce, 75 Harborne Road, at 12.55; and will visit Trueflo Valves, Westwood Road, Witton, at 2.55. The Duchess of Kent, as Deputy Colonel-in-Chief of the Royal Logistics Corps, will attend a dinner at Blackdown, Deepcut, Camberley, at 7.30.

Luncheons

Lord Mayor of Westminster
The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Westminster were hosts yesterday at a luncheon held at City Hall in honour of Field Marshal Lord Bramall, KG, and Lady Bramall. Among those present were:

The High Commissioner for Brunei and Datin Norfishah Jirim, the Australian High Commissioner, the Canadian High Commissioner, Lady Celestria Noel, the Hon John and Mrs Bradbury, the Hon Dominic Lawson and the Hon Rosamond Monckton, Mr R.D. Corley, Mr and Mrs Christopher Fenwick, Mr Jocelyn Stevens, Commander and Mrs G Churchill-Coleman, Dr and Mrs David Cohen, Mr and Mrs Everard Goodman, Mr and Mrs George Gordon-Smith, Dr Peter Mathias, and Mr and Mrs Derek Nimmo.

Institute of Legal Executives
The annual presidential luncheon of the Institute of Legal Executives (ILEX) was held yesterday at Trinity House. Mr David March, president, welcomed the Parliamentary Secretary of the Lord Chancellor's Department, the President and the Secretary-General of the Law Society, the Chairman of the General Council of the Bar, the Director of Public Prosecutions, the Senior Master of the Supreme Court, the Master of the Court of Protection, the Chief Registrar and Chief Executive of HM Land Registry and the Chief Constable of Bedfordshire, who were the guests of honour.

Appointment

Miss Jennifer Tanfield to be Librarian of the House of Commons in succession to Mr Dermot Englefield, who will retire on September 30.

School news

Bedford High School
The Summer Term at Bedford High School begins today and ends on July 7. The Middle School play, *Jack Spratt VC*, a joint production with Bedford School will be performed on May 6, 7 and 8. The Guild reunion will be held on May 8, at the Lady Anne's Hotel, Stamford. For information contact the Guild Secretary at the School. The Junior School play, *Peter Pan*, will be performed on June 30, July 1 and 2. The Sixth Form Leavers Ball will be held on July 1 at the Moat House Hotel, Bedford. Open Afternoons for girls joining the School in September 1993 and their parents will be held on the afternoons of Tuesday, June 22 (Junior School), Wednesday, June 30 (Senior School).

Bedford School
The Summer Term begins today with 1,118 boys in the School. Confirmation will be conducted by the Right Rev David Farmborough, Bishop of Bedford, on May 2. The Service in commemoration of Founders and Benefactors takes place at 11.00am on Sunday, May 16, in the School Chapel, when the address will be given by the Rev Dr John Polkinghorne, President of Queens' College, Cambridge. Old Bedfordians' and Festival Week begins on Saturday, June 26. Mr and Mrs F.M. Fletcher and the Head Master and Dr Sandra Evans will be at home to Old Bedfordians on Saturday, July 3, at noon. Christopher G. Packe continues as Head of School, James W. Wootton is Captain of Boats and Matthew R. Evans is Captain of Cricket.

Chigwell School
Summer Term at Chigwell School starts today and ends on Tuesday, July 6. Speech Day and the Summer Ball will be held on Saturday, June 26. The Captain of Cricket is Giles Offen (Penn's). The Summer Concert will be on Monday, July 5, and the Junior School play, *The Dracula Spectacula*, will be performed on the nights of Wednesday, May 19 to Saturday, May 22.

Eton College
Eton College opens today for the Summer Half.
A.C. Roberts KS continues as Captain of the School, and N. Arora OS is Captain of the Oppidans. There will be four performances of *Oedipus Rex* in the Farrer Theatre from May 27-30. The C.C.F. Tattoo will be on June 1, and the Fourth of June will be celebrated on June 2. Long Leave is from June 2-6. The Winchester match will be at Winchester on June 19, the Harrow match at Lord's on Wednesday, June 29.
School closes on July 2.

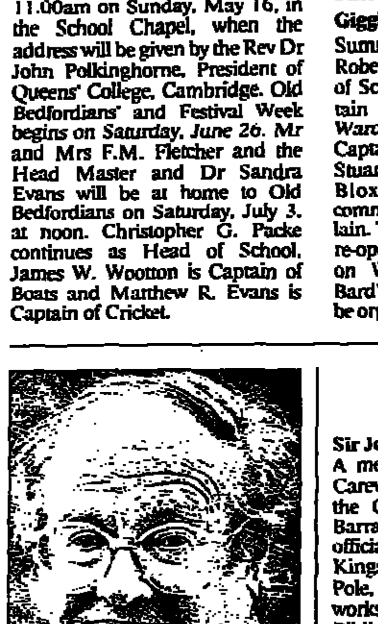
Giggleswick School
Summer Term began on April 19. Robert Haward continues as Head of School, Oliver Jackson is Captain of Cricket; Heidi Robson-Ward and Stephen Sykes are Captains of Athletics. The Rev Stuart Taylor, Director of the Bloxham Project, will be commencing his duties as Chaplain. The Brayshaw Library will be re-opened by Mr Graham Watson on Wednesday, April 21. The Bard's Birthday Celebrations will be organised by the Young Friends of Shakespeare's Globe at Giggleswick on April 23. The Bishop of Bradford will conduct a Service of Confirmation in the Chapel on Sunday, May 2. Catteral Hall will host the Northern Preparatory Schools' Music Day at Giggleswick on Thursday, May 6. Speech Day will be held on Saturday, May 29; the Preacher at the Commemoration Service will be the Ven Brian Smith, Archdeacon of Craven, and Prizes will be presented by Sir John Manduell, CBE, Principal of the Royal Northern College of Music. Lord Shuttleworth, Chairman of the Governors, will unveil a plaque commemorating the completion of the Hostel Refurbishment due to the generosity of the late Norman Sharpe, OG. The London Dinner of the Old Giggleswickian Society will be held at the House of Commons on Thursday, June 24; Old Giggleswickian Day takes place at School on Saturday, June 26. The Choral Society will give a performance of Mozart's *Mass in C Minor* in Chapel on Sunday, July 4. Term ends on Saturday, July 10, with Catteral Hall Prize-Giving, when the Chief Guest will be Mr Richard Whiteley, OG.

Kimbolton School
Term starts today and ends on July 8. Speech Day is on May 29, when Lord St John of Fawsley will present the Prizes. Old Kimboltonians' Day is June 26. *Twelfth Night* will be staged in the Castle Courtyard on July 1, 2 and 3.

St Dunstan's College
Summer Term commences on April 21 and ends on July 9, exeat being from May 31 until June 4.

J.B.H. Nisbet continues as Head of School. P.A. Hobson is Captain of Cricket: the 1st XI play MCC on July 5. The College will be participating in Beating the Bounds and the Ascension Day Evensong at All Hallows by the Tower on May 20, and the preacher at the Service of Commemoration of Founders and Benefactors at Southwark Cathedral on May 28, will be the Rev Canon Peter Delaney. The Preparatory Department's Summer Concert is on June 24 and the College Music Society's Concert on July 7. Open Day and Old Boys' Day is on Saturday, July 3. On April 24 the Preparatory Department is holding an Open Morning for parents interested in entering their sons for the College and there will be a supplementary entrance examination for candidates for the Lower and Middle School on May 5. Further details are available from the College Admissions Secretary.

Woldingham School
The Summer Term begins today. Monica Browning is the new Head Girl and Alexandra Stephens is Deputy Head Girl. Confirmation Service will be conducted by the Bishop of Arundel and Brighton on Friday, June 18, at 6.30pm. Term ends after Prize Day on Saturday, July 3, when the Guest will be Miss Leslie Ferrar, Chairman of the Woldingham Society and a Partner of KPMG Peat Marwick. Autumn term begins on September 6. Annual Reunion (Old Girls' Day) will be Sunday, September 19.


John Mortimer is 70 today

Birthdays today

Mrs Angela Barrett, tennis champion, 61; Professor Gerald Benney, gold and silversmith, 63; Mr Tom Burns, former editor, *The Tablet*, 87; Sir George Burton, former chairman, Fisons, 77; the Earl of Derby, 75; Mr Laurence Ellis, former rector, Edinburgh Academy, 61; Sir Eric Faulkner, former chairman, Lloyds Bank, 79; Air Marshal Sir John Hunter-Tod, 76; Sir Robin Ibbs, chairman, Lloyds Bank, 67; Mr John McCabe, former director, London College of Music, 54; Dr Halfdan Mahler, former director-general, WHO, 70; Mr John Mortimer, QC, barrister, playwright and author, 70; Sir Geoffrey Palmer, former Prime Minister of New Zealand, 51; Sir Raymond Potter, former chairman, Halifax Building Society, 77; Mr Anthony Quinn, actor, 78; Major-General Sir John Swinton, Lord Lieutenant of Berwickshire, 68; the Earl of Verulam, 42.

Meeting

The Royal Institute of International Affairs
The meeting which was to have been addressed by Amr Moussa today at 5.30pm at Chatham House, has been cancelled.

Memorial service

Sir John Carew Pole
A memorial service for Sir John Carew Pole was held yesterday in the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks. The Rev Roy McAllen officiated, assisted by the Rev Kingsley Joyce. Mr Johnny Carew Pole, grandson, read from the works of M. Louise Haskins and Biblical sentences, and Mr Tremayne Carew Pole, grandson, and Major-General Sir George Burns, brother-in-law, read the lessons. Sir Richard Carew Pole, son, gave an address. Mrs Christopher Daniel, granddaughter, accompanied by Sir David Willcocks, sang Mozart's *Laudate Dominum*. Among those present were:

Joan Lady Carew Pole (widow), Mr and Mrs David Tudway Quilter (son-in-law and daughter), the Hon Mrs Asquith (daughter), Lady Carew Pole (daughter-in-law), Mr Simon Tudway Quilter, Mr Rupert Asquith, Miss Emily Asquith, Mr and Mrs Charles Dingwall, and Mr Christopher Daniel (grandchildren), Jonathan Daniel, Miss Sophie Henderson, Emily Henderson and Alice Henderson (great grandchildren), Mr and Mrs Francis Fulford (stepson and stepdaughter-in-law), Lieutenant-General the Hon Sir William Rous (representing the Blue Seal Club) and Lady Rous, Mr and Mrs Marcus Stanton and Mr and Mrs Peter Fletcher (stepsons-in-law and stepdaughters), Mr James Rous, Mr Richard Rous, Mr Andrew Fletcher and Miss Patricia Fletcher (step-grandchildren), Mr Charles Du Cane, Mr and Mrs Tony Du Cane, Mrs Diana Tunnicliffe, Viscountess Stuart of Findhorn, Mrs Rosemary Beecher, Mr and Mrs Christopher Pole Carew, Mr Peregrine Pole Carew, Miss Geraldine Pole Carew, Mr Oliver Pole Carew, Mrs Loveday Miller, Mr Jonathan Asquith, Mr and Mrs Rory Macnamara, Mrs Brigid Pavry, Mr and Mrs William Tulloch, Mr and Mrs Al Fulford.

The Duke of Norfolk, the Marquess of Abergavenny, KG, and the Marchioness of Abergavenny, the Marquess of Hertford, the Marquess of Lansdowne, the Marquess of Hartington (representing the Jockey Club), the Marquess and Marchioness of Salisbury, the Earl and Countess of Erroll, the Earl of Antrim, the Earl of Clarendon, the Countess of Inchcape, Earl Cairns, the Dowager Countess Cairns, Earl St Germans, Lord Michael Fitzalan Howard, Lord Anthony Hamilton, Viscount and Viscountess Daventry, Viscount and Viscountess Knollys, Viscount Leverhulme, KG, Viscount Gough, Lord Michael Pratt, Lady Roderic Pratt, Lord Desmond Chichester.

Lord Camoys (Prime Warden, Fishmongers' Company) with Mr M R T O'Brien (clerk) and other past and present members of the Company; Irene Lady Astor of Hever, Lord Kindersley, Lord and Lady Hamilton of Dalzell, Lord and Lady Peyton of Yeovil, Lord Chorley (chairman, National Trust), with Mr Angus Stirling (director-general) and Mr Julian Prideaux (chief agent); Lord and Lady Strathcona and Mount Royal, Lord and Lady Wynford, Lord and Lady Terrington, the Dowager Lady Chesham, Major-General Lord Alvingham, Lady Hindlip, Lord Clifford of Chudleigh, Lady Sackville.

The Hon Robert and Mrs Boscawen, the Hon Archie Hamilton, MP, and Mrs Hamilton, Lady Moyra Campbell, Lady Margaret Myddelton, Lady Martha Ponsonby, Lady Judith Swire, Lady Amabel Lindsay, Lady Marjorie Stirling, Lady Serena James, Lady Elizabeth Shakerley, the Hon Diana Makgill, the Hon Richard and Mrs Stanley, the Hon Robert Corbett, the Hon Hugh and Mrs Astor, the Hon Richard Beaumont, the Hon Mrs Nicholas Beaumont, the Hon Mark Lennox-Boyd, the Hon Christopher Lennox-Boyd, the Hon Mrs Gascoigne, the Hon Mary Morrison, the Hon Mrs Neville Berry, the Hon Sir Charles and Lady Morrison, the Hon Lady Hardy, the Hon Charles Allsopp.

Major Sir Richard and Lady Rasch, Sir Giles and Lady Loder, Priscilla Lady Bacon, Brigadier Sir Alexander Stanier, Major Sir Fergus Matheson of Matheson, Sir Houston and Lady Shaw-Stewart, Colonel Sir Brian Barttelot, Sir Ashley Ponsonby, Sir Eric Faulkner (Lloyds Bank), Admiral Sir Brian Brown, Lady Willcocks, Sir John and Lady Webster, Sir Albert Sloman, Lady Wakefield, Lady Tuckwell, Vice-Admiral Sir John and Lady Webster, Lady Hornby, Sir Alastair and Lady Aird, Sir John Smith, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Hanmer Hanbury, Major Charles and Lady Elizabeth Lambton, Mr and the Hon Mrs A Heber-Percy, Mr and the Hon Mrs R J Owen.

Brigadier Alan Breitmeyer (HM Body Guard), Brigadier Gage Williams (Light Infantry), Colonel R J Heywood (Regimental Lieutenant-Colonel, Coldstream Guards) and Major Mark A T Hibbert-Hingston (Regimental Adjutant), Mr J Richardson (Dawson and Company), Mr Brian Peppiatt (Endsleigh Fishing Club), Major-General C S Wallis-King, Mr Leopold de Rothschild, Colonel Malcolm Havergal, Colonel Kenneth Savill, Mr and Mrs Giles Shepard, Mr and Mrs Greville Selby-Lowndes, Mr William Harris, QC, Colonel and Mrs Richard Crichton, Mr and Mrs John Phillimore, Mrs Patricia Thomas, Colonel Ivo Reid, Mr David Gibbs, Mr Rupert Coward, Mr and Mrs John Gough, Mr Francis Russell, Colonel I W Gore-Langton, Lieutenant-Colonel John Chandos-Poole, Mr and Mrs John Henderson, Mrs Jocelyn Hambro, Major I Westmacott, Mr Richard Burrows, Mr and Mrs J Floyd, Mrs Peter Dimmock, Mrs Peter Beckwith-Smith, Mr Maldwin Drummond, Mr Hugh Myddelton, Miss Bridget Swire and Mrs Nicholas Baring.

Arthur Jeremy Tree
A memorial service for the life of Arthur Jeremy Tree will be held in the Guards Chapel on April 26, at noon.

Dinner

Royal Society of Medicine
Sir George Pinker, President of the Royal Society of Medicine, and Lady Pinker received the guests at a reception and dinner held last night at 1 Wimpole Street for past and present members of council, past presidents and chairmen of forums. Mr Colin Badcock spoke.

Royal Horticultural Society flower show

Three daffodil exhibitors beat the early season (for daffodils) and staged displays of blooms, mainly large and small-cupped cultivars, at the RHS flower show, which opened yesterday in Westminster (Alan Toogood writes).

Brian Duncan, of Omagh, Co Tyrone, Northern Ireland, is showing cultivars of mainly his own raising, including 'Barnesgold', an all-yellow trumpet type, 'Yoshiko', a pink large-cupped, and 'Tyrian Rose', a strong pink large-cupped, all exhibition kinds and new this year.

Mrs J Abel Smith, of Letty Green, Hertfordshire, has a representative selection of large and small-cupped cultivars, as has Holland's Daffodils, of Maldon, Essex, who are also showing some cultivars in unusual colours, like the white 'Green Chartreuse' which has a cup rimmed with green-yellow.

The RHS daffodil show is not too well supported, again because of the early season. In the open classes, Brian Duncan, of Omagh, has won the Engleheart challenge cup for 12 cultivars bred and raised by the exhibitor, and Clive Postles, of Droitwich, Hereford and Worcester, has gained the Guy Wilson memorial vase for six cultivars of white daffodils. In the amateur classes the Richardson trophy for 12 cultivars has been won by Alexander McCabe, of Ballymena, Co Antrim.

The RHS rhododendron competition is very well supported. Mr J.A. Fox, of Crowborough, East Sussex, has won the Lionel de Rothschild challenge cup for eight species, and the class for eight hybrids. The McLaren challenge cup for any species has been awarded to Lady Adam Gordon, of Littleworth Cross, Surrey, and the Roza Stevenson challenge cup, also for any species, has been won by Mr. D. R. Strauss, of Ardingly, West Sussex.

Swansea City Council has also been successful in this competition, winning the Loder challenge cup for any hybrid, and the Crosfield challenge cup for six hybrids bred by or in the garden of the exhibitor.

The show includes the competitions of several specialist societies: the Alpine Garden Society, the Royal National Rose Society and the Bonsai Kai. In the Alpine Garden Society's competition, the RHS Sewell medal for six pans of rock plants was won by Mrs. K. Dryden, of Sawbridgeworth, Hertfordshire.

The show, in the Horticultural Halls, Greycoat Street and Vincent Square, Westminster, is open today from 10am to 5pm.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr G.W. Brickwood and Miss P.J. Green
The engagement is announced between Giles William, only son of Mr and Mrs Harry Brickwood, of Rayleigh, Essex, and Paula Jane, daughter of Mr Colin Green and the late Mrs Jean Green and stepdaughter of Mrs Margaret Green, of Leigh-on-Sea, Essex.

Mr J.W. D'Arcy and Miss S.M. Stonehouse
The engagement is announced between William, elder son of Mr and Mrs John D'Arcy, of Brook House, Churt, Surrey, and Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs Oliver Stonehouse, of Ugthorpe, North Yorkshire.

Mr S.C. Dennison and Miss F.K. Hamilton
The engagement is announced between Steven Christopher, only son of Mr and Mrs M. Dennison, of Godalming, Surrey, and Fiona Kate, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs E.N. Hamilton, of Barkston, Grantham, Lincolnshire.

Mr M.F.J. Gleave and Miss T.H. Morrow
The engagement is announced between Mark Frederick John, elder son of Mr and Mrs John Gleave, of Abernant House, Montgomeryshire, and Tracey Henrietta, younger daughter of Mrs Alec Lewis, of Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne and the late Mr Hedley Morrow.

Mr N.S. Jones and Miss H.E. Suther
The engagement is announced between Neil, son of Mr and Mrs S.H. Jones, of Bishops Castle, Shropshire, and Helen, daughter of Lieutenant Commander and Mrs P.C. Suther, of Ruislip, Middlesex.

Lieutenant Commander T.M. Karsten, RN, and Miss S.A.C. Rees
The engagement is announced between Thomas, son of Mr and Mrs P.M. Karsten, of Crickhowell, Powys, and Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs N.C. Rees, of Plastow Green, Berkshire.

Mr B. Leadsom and Miss A. Salmon
The engagement is announced between Ben, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Brian Leadsom, of Chobham, Surrey, and Andrea, second daughter of Mrs Judy Crompton, of Oxford, and Mr Richard Salmon, of Long Crendon, Buckinghamshire.

Mr M.E.B. Le Brocq and Miss S.B. Cole
The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr and Mrs Philip Le Brocq, of St Clement, Jersey, CI, and Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Cole, of Carlisle, Cumbria.

Dr M. Mansour-Tehrani and Miss A.F. Symes-Thompson
The engagement is announced between Mehrdad, son of Mr and Mrs M. Mansour-Tehrani, of Shemiran, Tehran, and Favell, daughter of the late Mr R.H. Symes-Thompson and of Mrs G.B. Symes-Thompson, of Sulgrave, Banbury, Oxfordshire.

Mr A.J. Mason and Miss H.B. Jackson
The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mr and Mrs Donald Mason, of Cheltenham, and Hermione, daughter of Mr and Mrs Edgar Jackson, of Cheltenham.

Mr M.V. Motion and Miss B.T. Manby
The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr and Mrs John Motion, of Leigh, Surrey, and Bernadette, daughter of Mr Harland Manby and Mrs Catharena Manby, of Liverpool.

Mr A.J. Myers and Dr K.G. Pye
The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of Mr and Mrs Gordon Myers, of Hatch End, Middlesex, and Kathryn, elder daughter of the late Mr Roger Pye and of Mrs Pye, of Sheffield.

Mr C.G. Peake and Miss A.M. O'Rourke
The engagement is announced between Christopher, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Edward Peake, of Westberry Court, Cambridge, and Ann, only daughter of Mr and Mrs John O'Rourke, of Chelsea, London.

Mr S.D. Reid and Miss E.S. Bathurst
The engagement is announced between Simon, son of Mr and Mrs Hubert Reid, of The Old Rectory, Marton, Cheshire, and Elizabeth, daughter of Mr Timothy Bathurst, of Cirencester, Gloucestershire, and Mrs Mary Bathurst, of Nettlebed, Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire.

Mr M.D. Spain Warner and Miss M.E. Firmin
The engagement is announced between Matthew Spain Warner, son of Mr R.V. Spain, of South Molton, Devon, and Mrs C.M. Warner, of Sutton Valence, Kent, and Michelle Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr P.A. Firmin, of Marden, Kent, and Mrs A.L. Waldron, of Staplehurst, Kent.

Mr A.I. Taverner and Miss M.P. Clark
The engagement is announced between Angus, son of Mrs J. Taverner, of Ledbury, Herefordshire, and Mr A. Taverner, of Johannesburg, and Maxine, twin daughter of Mr A. Clark and the late Mrs P. Clark, of London.

Mr D.M.R. Vickers and Miss E.H. Roscoe
The engagement is announced between Mark, elder son of Mr and Mrs Richard Vickers, of the Old Rectory, Seavington St Michael, Somerset, and Emma, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Marshall Roscoe, of North Deighton Manor, Wetherby, North Yorkshire.

Mr J.S. Williams-Thomas and Miss A.P. Wilkes
The engagement is announced between Sam, elder son of Mr and Mrs David Williams-Thomas, of The Manor House, Birlingham, Worcestershire, and Alice, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian Wilkes, of Lower House, Church Pulverbatch, Shropshire.

Marriage

Mr R.L. Dean and Mrs W.R.D. Robson
The marriage took place at St Mary's, Easebourne, on Saturday, April 17, 1993, of Mr Robert Longueville Dean to Mrs William Robert Donald Robson.

Legal appointments

Nicholas Allan Roy Wilson QC and Andrew Tristram Hammett Kirkwood QC to be Justices of the High Court, assigned to the Family Division.

Lord Justice Kennedy to be Chairman of the Criminal Committee and a member of the main board of the Judicial Studies Board.

Supper

Sir Lionel Denny lecture
Professor Robert Ashton delivered the 16th Sir Lionel Denny lecture, sponsored by the Barbers' Company, last night at the Museum of London. Sir Gerard Vaughan, MP, Master of the Barbers' Company, presided at a supper party held afterwards in Barber-Surgeons' Hall.

Service dinner

Essex Yeomanry Dining Club
The High Sheriff of Essex was the principal guest at the annual officers dinner of the Essex Yeomanry Dining Club held last night at the Cavalry and Guards Club.

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Then the disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in, and he saw and believed.
St. John 20:8

BIRTHS

BOWN - On April 19th 1993, to Lorna (née Parker) and Christopher, a daughter, Florence Emma Clarila, a sister for Alexander and Sophia.

CATCHPOLE - On 9th April at Princess Royal Hospital, Haywards Heath to Elizabeth and Peter, identical twin daughters, Olivia and Chloe.

CLOUGH - On 16th April, to Sarah (née Prosser) and Simon, the precious gift of a son, Oliver Thomas.

CORY-WRIGHT - On April 17th at Stirling Royal Infirmary, to Nicki (née Richardson) and Alan, a son, Jack - partner in crime for Hamish.

ELLIS - On April 18th at The Portland Hospital, to Jenny (née Attice) and Luke, a wonderful daughter, Holly, a playmate for Max.

FLORY - On 16th April, to Trixie (née Millar) and Peter, a son, Nico Piers.

GALLANT WALEY-COHEN - To Brad and Joanna, on April 17th, a daughter, Isabel.

HEALD - On 8th April 1993, to Sarah (née Philbrick) and Richard, a daughter, Bethany Kate Olivia, a sister for Jessica.

MORRISON - On 30th March, to Cornelia and Hugh, a daughter, Louisa Bicha Jeanetta.

MUNRO - On April 17th in Edinburgh, to Miriam (née Lowdon-Cox) and Matthew, a daughter, Lucinda Daisy St Clair, a sister for Emily and Flora.

PRESTON - On April 16th, to Caroline (née Reid) and David, a daughter, Eleanor Frances.

PUGLIESI-CONTI - On April 15th at The Portland Hospital, to Isabelle Fuzeau and Jean Michel, a delightful baby boy, Victor.

REID - On April 9th, to Charlotte (née Sillars) and Tim, a daughter, Lucy Elizabeth Riley.

SMYTHE - On March 15th, to Deborah (née Clark) and Stephen, a son, Thomas Geoffrey Oliver, a brother for Joseph.

STIRRAT - On April 18th, to Juliet (née Clough) and Hamish, a daughter, Olivia Louise, a sister for Sam.

BIRTHS

SYMINGTON - On April 19th, to Henrietta (née de Lotbinière) and Martin, a son, Sebastian Dominic, a brother for Iona and Toby.

TOTTENHAM - On April 17th to Katie (née Waters) and Hugh, a son, Sam Oliver Charles, a brother for Charlotte. (Hello Tiddles!).

VERE NICOLL - On April 18th at The Portland Hospital, to Melanie (née Falk) and Roderick, a beautiful daughter, Marina, a sister for Cristina.

DEATHS

BALLADON - Dorothy Jean. On 17th April 1993, at St Mary's Hospital, London, much loved mother of Michael and Caroline and sadly missed by the Balladon family.

BINNS - On February 14th, Winifred Mary Barnes of Heywood, Westbury, Wiltshire. Beloved wife of the late Ray Ellerton Binns.

BLYTHE - On Saturday 17th April 1993, peacefully after a long battle following a stroke, Edward Thomas "Ted" aged 76. Dearly loved husband, father and grandfather. Funeral Service on Tuesday 27th April at 1.30 pm at Great St Mary's Church, Sawbridgeworth, followed by cremation at Parndon Wood, Harlow.

BRADLEY - On April 15th, in his 89th year, George Bradley O.B.E., Solicitor of Chesterfield, Derbyshire. Husband of the late Florence Mary. Deeply loved and respected father of Mary and Richard. Grandfather of Miles, Rupert, Felicity, Sophie, Anthony and Sarah. Great-grandfather of Verity, Timothy, Maisie and Henry George. Funeral 11.45 am, Wednesday April 21st at St Paul's Church, Hasland, Chesterfield.

BROOK - On 18th April 1993, at Yeovil District Hospital, William Edward (Bill), aged 71. Dearly loved husband of Dorothy, father of Philippa, Peter and Richard, grandfather of William. Funeral on Tuesday 27th April, 12.30 pm at St Mary's Church, Rimpton. Family flowers only. Donations for St Mary's Church, Rimpton, to H.F. Miles (Funeral Director), Winton Cottage, South Cadbury, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 7ES.

DEATHS

BROWNE - On April 16th 1993, at home suddenly but peacefully, Audrey (née Tuck), widow of E. Martin Browne and John K. Rideout, aged 71. Service at St Mary's, Primrose Hill, NW3, on Monday April 26th at 12 noon, followed by private cremation. Donations instead of flowers please to Cruse, Archway Branch, c/o Mrs Edelman, 10 Mossborough Close, Moss Hall Grove, N12 8PT. The charity for which she worked.

CALDWELL - William Lawrence Vernon, formerly Head Master at Belhaven Hill, Dunbar. Husband of Colette, father of Clare and James, grandfather of Freddie and Jamie. Peacefully in hospital on 18th April, after a courageous fight against cancer. Private family funeral, no flowers please but donations if desired to Marie Curie Cancer Care, 28 Belgrave Square, London SW1. (071) 235-3325.

COLLINS - Major Keith, on 16th April 1993 in Auckland, New Zealand. Loved so much by his wife Huda, daughters, grandchildren and all his family and friends.

COOKSEY - On April 17th, suddenly while on holiday in Scotland, John Cooksey M.A., in his 85th year. Formerly Second Master, Peter Symonds School, Winchester. Beloved husband of Betty and dear father of Elisabeth. Cremation at Southampton Crematorium on Friday April 23rd at 3.30 pm (East Chapel). Family flowers only, donations if desired to The Spastics Society c/o Jno. Steel and Son, Chesil House, Winchester.

DICKSON - On April 17th 1993, of Dove Cottage, Green Hammerton, aged 46 years, Penelope Jane. Beloved wife of Gordon, dearly loved mother of Elizabeth and James and much loved daughter of William and Marion Isherwood. Funeral Service and committal will be held at St Thomas's Church, Green Hammerton, on Friday April 23rd at 11.30 am. Floral tributes or donations to Cancer Research, plate will be provided in the Church. Floral tributes to Dove Cottage.

DEATHS

DUNNETT - Mary, peacefully on 19th April 1993 after a long struggle, in her 83rd year, who will be sadly missed by all her family and friends. Funeral Mass to take place on Friday 23rd April 1993 in St John's Roman Catholic Cathedral at 12.15pm.

ENGERT - Hubert Cyrus passed away peacefully at home on 19th April, he will be greatly missed by all. No flowers by request, all donations if desired to The Chesham Cottage Hospital, Chesham, Bucks. Cremation noon on 28th April. Enquiries to Cook: (0494) 791359.

FABRE - On April 15th, in hospital in Nice, after a short illness, Isabel, beloved mother of George (Bishop).

FREEMAN - On 19th April, in Dunedin, New Zealand, Professor Roy Francis Harry Freeman, of the University of Otago, formerly of Queen Mary College, University of London. Loved husband of Jenny. Loved father of Michael, Louise and Katherine.

GATES - Paul William Bramwell - with Jesus - 18th April 1993, aged 87 years. Beloved husband of Pauline and dearly loved father, grandfather and great-grandfather. Former valued Managing Director of Cow and Gate. Funeral Service at The Priory, Malvern, at 12 noon on Wednesday April 28th. Family flowers only. Donations to The London City Mission. Enquiries B Hawcutt F/D, Ledbury (0531) 632084.

GRACE - On April 19th 1993 at Fitzroy Nuffield Hospital, Bryanston Square, Brian Sheffield, aged 79 years. Funeral Service at Putney Vale Crematorium on Saturday April 24th at 11am. All enquiries to J.H. Kenyon, (071) 937-0757.

HEADLAM - (née Parish) On April 17th 1993 peacefully in her sleep Nancy Lydia aged 85 of Shrewsbury a beloved mother and grandmother. Funeral Service at Holy Trinity Church, Meole Brace, Shrewsbury, on Tuesday April 27th at 12.30 pm. Flowers and enquiries to the Funeral Directors, W.R.R. Pugh and Son, tel: (0743) 344646

DEATHS

HILLIARD - On Sunday April 18th at Dunsland House Residential Care Home, Berkhamsted, Gwen (née Whittington) in her 94th year. Wife of the late Dr. F.M. Hilliard, loving mother of Rosemary Pitman and the late Judge Christopher Hilliard. Affectionate sister of Dr. R.B. Whittington, fond grandmother of her five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Funeral Service at the Chilterns Crematorium, Amersham, at 4.30 pm Friday April 23rd. Family flowers only but donations in her memory to the British Migraine Association c/o J Worley (Funeral Directors), 344 High Street, Berkhamsted, Herts. HP4 1HT.

IVOR-JONES - On April 17th 1993, suddenly and peacefully at home, Michael Antony M.B.E. Beloved and darling husband of Maggie (Marguerite), father of Penny, Susan and Melanie, grandfather of Anthony, Richard, Robert, Thomas, Robert and Sam. Very sadly missed. Service at All Saints Church, Drinkstone, near Bury St Edmunds, on Tuesday 27th April at 12 noon followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, donations for the Injured Jockeys Fund and Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution c/o L. Fulcher, 80 Whiting Street, Bury St Edmunds.

LYNFORD - Harry, on April 19th 1993, aged 83, peacefully at home after a long illness borne with courage and dignity. Beloved husband of Edith, adored father of Colette and Louise, father-in-law of Peter and Bruce and loving grandfather and great-grandfather.

MacKENZIE - On April 20th 1993, peacefully at Birtley House, Bramley, Surrey, Brigadier Kenneth Stirling MacKenzie CBE, MC, late Royal Artillery, aged 97 years. Much loved cousin of Susan Steward (née Gahan) and Muriel and the late Teddy and Grania Gahan. Funeral Service at Holy Trinity Church, Bramley, nr. Guildford, on Saturday 24th April at 10 am. All enquiries to Robert Ayling Funeral Services, tel: (0483) 67333.

DEATHS

MANTON - Miss Susie, Nolands, Strathlachlan, Strachur, Argyll, dearly loved first cousin of Madame Maclachlan of Maclachlan, died peacefully in her sleep in the Inverclyde Hospital on Sunday 18th April, aged 93. Funeral Service Strathlachlan Church, 1 pm, Friday April 23rd, thereafter to the burial grounds of Strathlachlan Cemetery.

MEAD - On 18th April 1993, after a short illness at The Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital, Wonford, Malcolm Waller Thomas aged 44 years, of Countess Mead, Chettiscombe, Tiverton, Devon. Husband of Helen and father of Sarah, Hugh and Kate. Funeral Service at St Peter's Church, Tiverton, on Friday 23rd April at 12.30 pm followed by interment. Family flowers only please but donations if desired for the R.N.L.I. c/o Cross & Beale Funeral Directors, 27 Belmont Road, Tiverton, Devon EX16 6AR.

NORFOLK - On April 18th 1993 peacefully in a nursing home, Mildred (Roguie) in her 98th year. Much loved and loving wife of the late Bernard and devoted mother of Mary. Funeral Service at Arundel R.C. Cathedral on Tuesday April 27th at 11.30am, followed by burial in Littlehampton Cemetery. All enquiries to Reynolds Funeral Service, tel: (0243) 864745.

ORPIN - On 19th April, Diana Mary, peacefully at King Edward VII Hospital, Midhurst, after a typically brave struggle against increasing odds. Beloved wife and wonderful companion for 53 years of Tom; devoted mother to Alan and Gillian, and patient and adoring grandmother to Charles, Christopher and Joanna. Funeral service family only. Donations welcome to the MacMillan Service for Cancer Patients, King Edward VII Hospital, Midhurst, West Sussex GU29 0BL.

SABINE - Charles Alfred, L.D.S., R.C.S., (Eng.) peacefully at home on 17th April 1993 aged 79 years. Cremation at Slough Crematorium on Wednesday 28th April at 11 am. Family flowers only, donations if desired to British Heart Foundation c/o Sargeant and Son, Slough.

DEATHS

STONE - On April 16th 1993, in Queen Elizabeth II Hospital, Welwyn Garden City, Pamela Elizabeth Julia Stone, of Brookmans Park, Herts. Service will be held in St Mary's Church, North Mymms, on Monday April 26th at 1 pm prior to interment in the Churchyard. Floral tributes or donations if desired to Hospice Care Services, East Hertfordshire (by cheque only) c/o Nethercott Funeral Directors, 150 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, Herts. Tel: (0707) 652288.

STREATHER - On April 17th, peacefully after a long illness borne with great courage Pamela Mary beloved mother of Bruce and Angela, mother-in-law of Geraldine and grandmother of Charlotte, Annabel and Miranda. Funeral at Holy Trinity, Brompton at 2.30pm on Thursday 29th April, followed by private cremation. No flowers please. Donations to Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

WESTALL - On 15th April 1993, suddenly after a very short illness, courageously borne at Lymm, Cheshire, Robert Atkinson aged 63, beloved companion of Lindy and 'Uncle' to Stephen, Chrissie and Sally McKinnel, Fiona Wills Jeni Doull and family. Funeral Service to be followed by cremation on Friday 23rd April at 2.15pm at All Saints Church, Thelwall, near Warrington. Family flowers only, donations if desired to one of his favourite charities. Enquiries to A. Maddock and Son, Funeral Directors, Stockton Heath, (0925) 261803. A Memorial Service will be held on a date to be announced later.

WILLIAMS - Nancy Hilda. On April 16th, peacefully at Gwynedd Hospital, Bangor, Nancy Hilda Williams, after a short illness. Widow of His Honour Judge John Elwyn Williams, dear sister, aunt and great-aunt. Funeral Service at Beddgelert Church, Gwynedd, on 22nd April at 11 am. Flowers or donations, if desired, to Snowdonia National Park Society 'Esme Kirby Fund' c/o 27 Friars Street, Sudbury, Suffolk CO10 6AD. A Memorial Service will be arranged in Suffolk - further details will be available shortly. Enquiries to above address. (tel: 0787-880440).

MEMORIAL SERVICES

HANBURY - A Memorial Service for Professor Harold Greville Hanbury MA, DCL, QC, will be held in the Chapel, Lincoln College, Oxford, on Saturday 19th June at 2.30 pm.

IN MEMORIAM - WAR

PARISH - Charles Woodbine, Squadron Leader R.A.F., D.F.C., on the 50th anniversary of his death and that of his gallant crew. Remembered always with love. Michael, Elizabeth and their families.

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

REDGATE - Geoffrey William 20.11.1924 - 21.4.1985. 'Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.'

SCHNEIDER - Louis LL.B., April 21st 1967. In unfading memory of a wonderful son, brother and friend. Constantly in our thoughts with love and gratitude.

SLAUGHTER - Enid Lillian. Died 21st April 1987. So very dearly loved. So very greatly missed.

STONE - Hyman remembering Hy always with deepest love and gratitude. Dorothy, Victor and Jonathan. April 21st, 1961.

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O Presidente da República Portugesa, Dr Mário Soares, e sua mulher, Dra. Maria de Jesus Barroso Soares, por ocasião da sua visita oficial ao Reino Unido, oferecem uma reçepcão à comunidade portugesa, para a qual Convidam todos os portugeses residentes no país. A reçepcão terá lugar na 4a. feira, dia 28 de Abril, das 16h às 17,30h, no Ball Room do Berkeley Hotel, Wilton Place, Knightsbridge, Londres SW1X 7RL.

Agradece-se a Quem quiser comparecer que seja portador de documento de identificaçao.

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OBITUARIES

DONALD BROADBENT

Donald Broadbent, CBE, FRS, a psychologist who carried out important research on the effect of noise on human performance in the workplace, died on April 10 aged 66. He was born in Birmingham on May 6, 1926.



"THE test of intellectual excellence of a psychological theory, as well as its moral justification, lies in its application to concrete practical considerations." This, from his *Defence of Empirical Psychology*, sums up Donald Broadbent's approach to science, which transformed modern cognitive psychology and brought the British contribution to it to the centre of the international stage. His commitment to public service, his good humour and approachability, combined with his formidable capacity for analytical thought, made him a hero for a generation of experimental psychologists. For the layman in a modern industrial society, his most interesting conclusions will be found in topics such as the effects of noise on people at work; the effect of loss of employment on health; and the ability of the human nervous system to cope with complex instrument displays such as those found on aircraft flight decks.

Broadbent was a major figure in applied experimental psychology for over forty years. During this period he promoted an approach to psychology that integrated attempts to solve practical problems with rigorous experimentation and sophisticated theorising. His achievements speak for themselves in his books and papers, which have had a major impact on many different areas of psychology. He also supervised other psychologists, many of whom have become influential figures worldwide.

Donald Eric Broadbent was educated at Winchester and Pembroke College, Cambridge. In between school and university he spent time in the RAF and when he joined the Medical Research Council's Applied Psychology Unit in 1949 he began research on topics which were pressing practical problems at the time. Research on the effects of noise on performance efficiency was his first job and he retained an interest in this area for forty years. This research was not only of immense practical relevance, but also had a great influence on the way his views on attention and cognitive function developed.

His research on noise was not confined solely to the laboratory but involved studies in the workplace and impressed psychologists as well as researchers from other disciplines. Without his contribution, noise research would today largely be concerned with the effects of noise on hearing and communication, while other, non-auditory effects on performance and safety, might well have been ignored.

Broadbent is best known for his work on selective attention and his first book, *Perception and Communication* (1958), has been one of the most influential books in psychology for more than thirty years. In 1958, he was appointed director of the Applied Psychology Unit at Cambridge, and held the post until 1974. During this time the Cambridge unit became one of the most influential groups in the world.

This was achieved by a combination of excellent science and Broadbent's ability to promote applied psychology, both through his personal example and by his service on a number of national committees. These included the Medical Research Council, the Social Science Research Council, the Science and Engineering Research Council, the British Psychological Society and the Ergonomics Research Society. In 1968 his achievements earned him election to fellowship of the Royal Society.

In 1974 Broadbent moved to the Department of Experimental Psychology at Oxford. There, as a member of the Medical Research Council's external staff, he could devote more of his time directly to research. He worked with a small team on some of his established interests, such as the effects of noise. He also developed new areas of interest; notable among these was his long-term aim of examining the relationship between the nature of jobs, cognitive strategies and psychological and physical well-being. Again, this research involved laboratory studies, objective measurements of mental functioning, and field studies, using questionnaires such as the cognitive failures questionnaire, which was designed to measure failures of memory, attention and motor functioning.

This was an extremely happy period for him; he was able to collaborate more closely with his wife, Margaret, and was free to examine specific issues in great depth. In addition, his encyclopaedic knowledge of experimental psychology was matched by his enthusiasm for new developments in areas such as cognitive science. Collectively, the corpus of his experimental studies and theoretical papers made a massive contribution to the development of psychology.

In the inaugural Broadbent lecture for the British Psychological Society in 1991 he cited Mao's dictum of "continuous revolution" as a model for science. It was characteristic of him to view the future as a time of change, rather than as an opportunity for complacency. Also, rather than ponder past glories, he looked to the time ahead, transmitting to his audience the enthusiasm and pleasure of his work. Generations henceforth will feel his impact.

He married first, in 1949, Margaret Elizabeth Wright, by whom he had two daughters. This marriage was dissolved in 1972 and he married Margaret Gregory in the same year. She and one of the daughters of his first marriage survive him.

WALLACE STEGNER

Wallace Stegner, American novelist, university teacher, editor and short story writer, died in Santa Fe, New Mexico, on April 13 aged 84. He was born in Lake Mills, Iowa, on February 18, 1909.



FOR all that Wallace Stegner loved the American West, making it almost the sole focus of a literary career that spanned fifty years and produced more than two dozen novels, historical works, and collections of stories and essays, he had few illusions about the mythology of his subject.

"The West does not need to explore its myths much further; it has already relied on them too long," he told a reporter in 1981. "The West is politically reactionary and exploitative: admit it. The West as a whole is guilty of inexplicable crimes against the land: admit that, too. The West is rootless, culturally half-baked. So be it." Nonetheless, he still saw the West as "the New World's last chance to be something better: the only American society still malleable enough to be formed."

The frontier heritage of unbounded optimism had vanished by the time Stegner arrived on the literary scene in the 1930s. But he found that it had left behind what he described as "a respect for the heroic virtues: fortitude, resolution, magnanimity." It was these qualities, along with a healthy scepticism, that informed all his work, separating it from the despair and alienation found in many of his contemporaries. His characters, though a far cry from the stereotypical bar-room beauties and lean heroic cowboys, seemed propelled by the author's conviction "that man, even modern man, has some dignity if he will assume it."

The son of Scandinavian immigrants, Stegner spent the first 12 years of his life moving around the north-western states and Saskatchewan, where he got to know the curious blend of drifters, cowboys and cockneys, who settled on the Canadian frontier. (He later celebrated this pioneer community, already beginning to be swamped by smalltown respectability, in *Wolf Willow*.) The family finally came to rest in Salt Lake City, where Stegner graduated from the University of Utah in 1930, obtaining a PhD in 1935.

In 1934 Stegner began a dual career as university teacher and professional writer that was to last for most of his life. His first published works were short stories and novellas, one of which, *Remembering Laughter*, won him the $2,500 Little, Brown Prize in 1937. It was not until 1943 that he tried a full-length novel, a sprawling family chronicle of life on the north-west frontier and the American Dream gone wrong, entitled *The Big Rock Candy Mountain*.

The book won critical acclaim and Stegner plunged into a long series of works on the pioneer experience in America, displaying a strong concern for the fragility of the environment and for the treatment of the men and women who went West. He wrote of racial and religious intolerance towards immigrants and, in a temporary departure from his Western fixation, produced *The Preacher and the Slave*, a notable biographical novel on the life of Joe Hill, the American trade union leader executed by firing squad in 1916.

In 1964, long before the subject became fashionable, Stegner was comparing the way Americans were learning about the environment to the apocryphal story of the boy who twisted the mule's tail: "he isn't as pretty as he once was, but he knows more." In an essay in the *Saturday Review* he wrote: "There is nothing in the history of the West that indicates any great concern for the environment, or for the renewability and sustainability of the economy, nor for the labour force used in that exploitation. Those are all serious mistakes."

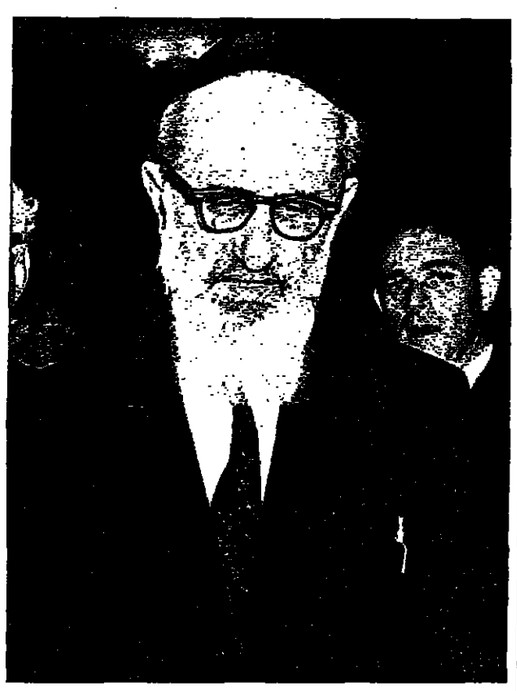
Stegner's old-fashioned realist prose exuded optimism and human decency and for decades this led him to be regarded as little more than a very readable amateur historian and a competent novelist. Although it took some time for his particular style to really come back into vogue, he collected his share of prizes along the way.

For his short stories, which he continued to write throughout his career, he won O. Henry Awards in 1942, 1950 and 1954. He was awarded the 1972 Pulitzer Prize for fiction for his novel *Angle of Repose*, and the National Book Award for his 1976 novel, *The Spectator Bird*. Stegner's latest collection of essays, *Where the Bluebird Sings to the Lemonade Springs: Living and Writing in the West*, published in 1992, was nominated for the National Book Critics Circle Award.

Wallace Stegner is survived by his wife Mary and one son.

RABBI JOSEPH SOLOVEITCHIK

Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik died in Brookline, Boston, Massachusetts, on April 8 aged 90. He was born in Pruzhan, Poland, on February 27, 1903.



THE American Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik was acknowledged as one of the leading exponents of Jewish law in modern times, yet was essentially a lonely figure in the Jewish firmament, despite the thousands of people who crowded his famous annual lectures at Yeshiva University, New York. The four-hour lectures, on the anniversary of his father's death, were just part of his remarkable tenure as Professor of Talmudic and Jewish Philosophy at the university's theological seminary and graduate school.

He was visited in New York and Boston by Israeli prime ministers David Ben-Gurion and Levi Eshkol. His advice was sought by Israeli Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren on contentious issues which rocked Israeli society, notably the case of the Langer twins in 1972. The son and daughter of a Holocaust survivor's remarriage were in danger of being declared ineligible for Jewish marriage because the miraculous survival of their mother's first husband, who had been thought killed, rendered her second marriage, without divorce, adulterous.

Although the case was decided in favour of the "normal" Jewish status of the Langers, who were championed by Moshe Dayan, there were complaints from influential Orthodox sections that Goren had been coerced into undermining the whole structure of rabbinic law. Soloveitchik issued a ringing endorsement of Goren's compassionate decision.

His involvement in this and other aspects of Israeli politics was ironic in view of his belief that religion and party politics did not mix. After refusing to be pressed into service as Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi in 1960 because he feared to be a servant of the state, he advised the National Religious Party in the 1970s on its attitude to the "Who is a Jew?" crisis (which then referred to women converted under American Reform Judaism and not the influx of Russian Jews) and on the strength of Israel's claim to the West Bank (he thought its retention not worth putting lives at risk).

The scion of two great east European rabbinical families, he had been under consideration as Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv as early as 1935 — on his only visit to what was then Palestine — and was suggested as Chief Rabbi of the United Hebrew Congregations of the British Commonwealth in succession to Dr Israel Brodie in 1964 but refused to allow his name to go forward.

He was given his Jewish education by his scholar father, Rabbi Moshe Soloveitchik. His grandfather, Rabbi Hayim Soloveitchik, of Brisk (Brest-Litovsk) was known as the Brisker rabbi. His maternal grandfather headed the Volozhyn yeshiva (Jewish academy). His mother encouraged his secular education and he studied philosophy at Berlin University, gaining his doctorate in 1930. He was deeply influenced by the teaching of neo-Kantianism under Heinrich Maier and combined Talmudic and philosophical terms and principles.

He married Tonya Lewit, herself a PhD of Jena, in 1930. They moved with their newborn son to the US in 1931, settling in a suburb of Boston, where he remained as Orthodox rabbi and commuted for work to New York.

Soloveitchik's father had also emigrated and was appointed professor of Talmudic and Jewish Philosophy at the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, affiliated to Yeshiva University. When he died in 1941, he was succeeded by his son, who is estimated to have ordained over 2,000 rabbis in four decades of service.

He was acknowledged as a towering authority in Jewish law, in the Lithuanian tradition, with huge depths of knowledge and scope of scholarship. He introduced psychology and philosophy to the seminary's curriculum, in addition to Talmudic studies. He was consulted nationally on mental health and social issues and represented Jewish interests on the humane slaughter of animals.

Although active in interfaith issues at a practical level, he was deeply suspicious of ecumenism, seeing it as a ploy to convert Jews. He thought it "utterly absurd" to seek theological unity between religions which were distinct entities and objected to Pope Paul VI's 1964 statement on the Jews, which he studied in its Latin draft. All he asked from the Church was a clear statement of the Jews' inalienable rights as human beings.

Although his packed lectures were taped for transcription by his students, he himself wrote and published little. His major autobiographical essay, *The Lonely Man of Faith* (1965) described his internal struggle with ideas for perfection and partnership with God. But he questioned whether he could say anything to a functional utilitarian society.

Essentially a modest man, he aimed to impart knowledge rather than inspire imitation, and readily admitted the force and benefit of Western culture. His synthesis of Jewish scholarship and Orthodox practice with an openness to general society made him a natural leader of what is now known as Jewish modern orthodoxy.

After the death of his wife in 1967, Yeshiva University renamed its high school for girls in her honour. He leaves a son, who is a rabbi, and two daughters married to rabbis.

WILLIAM PALMER

William John Palmer, CBE, former judge in India, Nigeria and the Gulf, died on March 29 aged 83. He was born on April 25, 1909.

WILLIAM Palmer's career spanned the last decades of the British Raj in India, the twilight of Britain's imperial rule in Africa and the final act in Britain's withdrawal from "East of Suez" in the early 1970s.

He was educated at Pate's Grammar School, Cheltenham, and Christ's College, Cambridge, before being called to the Bar. In 1932 he joined the Indian Civil Service, becoming, in 1945, Chief Presidency Magistrate in Calcutta.

Following Indian independence in 1947 he joined the Colonial Legal Service in Nigeria in 1950. By the end of the 1950s the tide of African independence was flowing strongly and the European empires were in full retreat. President de Gaulle had granted freedom to 14 French African territories and it was inconceivable that Nigeria, the most populous state in the continent, would not follow suit. By 1960 Nigeria's independence year, Palmer was a judge in the Eastern Region. Like many British judges in Africa, he stayed on after independence and in 1963 and 1965 was Acting Chief Justice of Eastern Nigeria.

At the end of 1965 Palmer took up his last post as judge of HM's Court for Bahrain and of the Chief Court for the Persian Gulf. Under treaties dating in most cases to the 19th century, Britain had, with the consent, indeed with the encouragement of the local rulers, assumed jurisdiction over non-Muslim foreigners in Bahrain and the other small states of the Gulf.

By the 1960s the British courts were no sinecure. Not only were there large resident communities of Europeans and non-Muslim Indians, but there were also substantial numbers of transients in the form of sailors and oil-drillers. Apart from the work of the court, Palmer was responsible for planning and carrying out, in conjunction with the local authorities, the retrocession of this jurisdiction, subject by subject, as the date of the withdrawal of British protection and the termination of the special treaties drew near. Given the incompatibility of British and traditional Arab systems, this required careful and sensitive negotiation and help to the governments of the emirates in drafting appropriate civil and criminal legislation. By 1972, shortly after the treaties had been terminated, Palmer completed his task and retired for the last time, 40 years after he had entered the service of the Empire. He had the satisfaction of a complex job well done.

Jack Palmer was well suited to play a distinguished part in the end of empire. He was no Colonel Blimp, bemoaning past glories. His essentially simple, happy nature and intellectual interests enabled him to move with and adapt to changing times. In retirement he did his bit in local affairs, but he was at heart a family man and enjoyed 20 years of peaceful contentment with his wife Vanda, who survives him with their three children.

THE SAN FRANCISCO DISASTER

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20, 10.30 A.M.

While the fire fighters were making an heroic stand in Van Ness-avenue a panic reigned in other parts of the city. Since the early morning, when a great rush of flames threatened to overwhelm the apartment house district along Ellis, O'Farrell and Sutter Streets, the people have been staggering under their household goods towards the ferries. It is necessary to walk seven miles to the hills and then round to the water front in order to avoid the fire zone, and during this journey many refugees, weakened by thirst, hunger, and exposure, have fallen exhausted, their friends trying to lift them up and urge them forward. In their desire to save something of value many persons attempted to rush through the lines of fire to the doomed buildings, and in several instances those who succeeded perished in their burning homes.

Probably altogether 200,000 refugees were struggling simultaneously to get out of the city. During the night the streets were filled with seething and distracted crowds. Many children were lost in the confusion and were vainly sought for by their parents. The express men charged $50 (£10) for removing a load of baggage or for rendering assistance.

The liquor stores in the north end of the city were broken into, and hundreds of men were carrying bottles of drink when the troops appeared on the scene and, using their clubs freely, smashed the bottles on the stones. Some of the priceless art treasures in the residences on Nob-hill were removed to places of safety. In the destroyed Bohemian Club at Post-street, Grant Avenue, there was a special exhibition of paintings, most of which were saved, but a collection of Old Masters, including works of Rembrandt, Diaz, and Murillo, of considerable value, is lost. The chief concern to-day is for the homeless and famishing, who are estimated to number 300,000. Two-thirds of this number spent last night in Golden Gate Park and on the hills and beaches, under such tents as could be improvised. Oakland and Berkeley tried to take care of thousands who were able to get across the bay. At Berkeley the Campus athletic ground was converted into sleeping quarters, and tents were provided for the women, while straw was strewn on the ground for the men. All the churches and mission halls were converted into bed-rooms for the refugees. The sufferings of the houseless people last night were terrible, for both food and water were lacking. To-day, however, there is a promise of the supply of water and army rations. Doctors, nurses, and tents are being conveyed to the city both by land and water, and three main relief stations have been organized in the city. The work of a big bakery, which baked 50,000 loaves yesterday before nightfall, did something to relieve the famine.

Fourteen men who were attempting robbery were killed last night by the soldiers who were guarding the Mint. A policeman was bayoneted and killed by a National Guardsman, a dispute on the question of authority having arisen between the two men . . .

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THE QUEEN'S AWARDS

Sound the trumpet: musical organisations have joined environmentally conscious companies in the awards list. **Derek Harris** tunes in

Hitting a high note





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Cultural exports: the Academy of St Martin in the Fields, the orchestra that has a world following, and Starlight Express, the money-spinning Lloyd Webber musical

Twelve companies have become the first winners of the Queen's Awards for Environmental Achievement, with products that range from processes that cut down atmospheric pollutants, such as CFCs and solvents, to a new glass that retains heat even better than conventional double-glazing glass.

The total number of awards this year is 155; as well as the dozen for environmental success, there are 118 in the export achievement category and 25 in the technological achievement category.

The Academy of St Martin in the Fields was the first orchestra to win an award, for export performance. The Really Useful Group, Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber's vehicle for exploiting his musicals, also won an award.

Another first was an award to Psygnosis, the Merseyside computer-games software maker-publisher well known for a game based on lemmings. Psygnosis exports substantially to north America, Europe and Australia and is even earning royalties in Japan.

The awards total was the lowest since 1988. The lower number of awards in both export and technology categories reflects some decline in the quality of awards applications.

The number of applications for export and technology awards this year — 1,582 — was the highest number for 15 years, yet the number of awards made was lower in both categories than last year.

The environmental winners, which the judges found of high quality, are nevertheless a modest harvest from a large entry of 240. This low outcome was influenced by the many applicants that did not meet the criteria.

More than 30 awards go to companies that are already holding awards won in the last five years. Among these additional awards were 22 for export achievement, six for technology and four for environmental achievement.

The awards go to companies from most areas of Britain. The greatest concentration has gone to the South East.

The industrial and commercial spread is wide, ranging from telecommunications to transport. Invisible exporters, often financial institutions earning abroad by offering services such as banking and insurance, account for 17 per cent of export awards, just below the level of last year.

Two thirds of the winners are smaller businesses with a workforce of 200 or less. One of the smallest is Otodynamics of Hatfield, Hertfordshire, which is exploiting a British scientific discovery by developing, designing and manufacturing electronic hearing test equipment. This is used to perform hearing tests on babies and for medical research. The company exports to Europe and is also entering the North American market.

The mould-breaking award to the Academy orchestra comes more than 35 years after its formation by Neville Marriner — now Sir Neville — who remains artistic and music director.

The orchestra's policy of prolific recordings, allied to tours abroad, has given it a strong following in Europe, North and South America and Japan.

Sir Neville sees the award as not only honouring the orchestra but also the classical music tradition of Britain. He says: "In the UK, we have some of the finest orchestral players in the world."

The Lloyd Webber music machine has mopped up export earnings by promoting overseas productions of shows such as *Phantom of the Opera*, *Cats*, *Aspects of Love* and *Starlight Express*. The biggest money-spinner has been *Phantom* and the shows are now playing in more than 20 cities around the world.

At the heavier end of industry, Vosper Thornycroft Holdings, the shipbuilders, netted an export award after years of strong overseas sales performance. Exports have long comprised half of the Hampshire-based company's turnover but the proportion is nearing two thirds and may reach 95 per cent of turnover.

In the period under review for the award, Vosper won a contract, probably worth several hundred million pounds, for the supply of mine hunters, spares, supplies and training to the Saudi Arabian government.

> One big company has added to its store of 15 export prizes

Vosper, which has a workforce of 2,000, has also supplied Jordan and Kenya, and recently secured important contracts in the Gulf to supply strike aircraft to Qatar and corvettes to Oman.

Among bigger industrial companies, motor manufacturers have also scooped export awards, including Ford, Vauxhall and Nissan.

In Northern Ireland, Short Brothers, the Belfast-based aircraft manufacturer, has added to its store of 15 export awards with another for the work of its Fokker division. The value of the division's exports have almost trebled over the past three years.

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Scotch wins distant sales



Cheers: the sales team at Pauls Malt celebrate

Whisky producers who find Britain's tax regime onerous are taking comfort from rising export sales.

Justerini & Brooks, established as a wine merchant in 1749 and now part of the Grand Metropolitan Group, has won the export award for the sixth time. *Rodney Hobson writes.* Scotch is its main seller overseas.

Justerini moved into exporting in the 1930s and now sells all over the world. Exports account for 99 per cent of production and overseas earnings have grown by more than £65 million over the past two years.

At Macallan-Glenlivet, exports have grown by 50 per cent in two years. Willie Phillips, managing director, says: "It is the combination of a large number of small markets that has made us successful."

Mr Phillips points to countries such as Japan where Glenlivet is top of the range, while Australia and New Zealand are small but worthwhile targets for the Banffshire distillery.

In Northern Ireland, the St Brendans Irish Cream Liqueur Company, a small manufacturer of cream liqueurs based in Londonderry, has demonstrated how export-led growth can generate much-needed jobs.

The company has more than trebled its exports during the past two years, creating work for 20 extra staff. The liqueurs are marketed through specialist importers and distributors in the European Community and America and also sold to Russia.

Pauls Malt, the biggest UK producer of malt for beer and whisky, is exporting to 20 countries in Europe, the Far East, Africa, South America and the Caribbean. A Suffolk subsidiary of Harrisons & Crosfield, it has expanded into new markets, including Australia, Korea, Cameroon, Chile and Spain.

RODNEY HOBSON

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Drive abroad lifts motor industry blues

Few sectors have been hit as hard by recession as the motor industry, but many companies have survived by concentrating on export markets.

Overseas sales have come to the rescue of the recession-hit business, writes Rodney Hobson

Peter Watt, of Ford, says: "It has been a poor market in the UK and we have had spare capacity at our ten manufacturing sites here but European markets have been more buoyant. Britain is the only source of two of our van models.

"Sales of Sierras to southern Europe and Escorts to other parts of the Continent have increased."

As the UK's leading motor exporter, Ford shipped abroad a total of £2.2 billion worth of vehicles and components in 1992, a 34 per cent increase on 1990. Its Halewood, Dagenham and Southampton factories sold 159,000 vehicles in Europe and the US, and 770,000 engines were exported from Bridgend in Glamorgan and Dagenham in Essex.

Halewood, Merseyside, the sole European source for the Escort van, added a car-exporting programme and was rewarded with sales of 30,000 vehicles overseas, about 16 per cent of production. More than half the Fiesta cars and vans made at Dagenham were exported, thanks partly to good sales of the new Courier van. Transit van and bus exports meant that 37 per cent of Southampton's output went abroad.

Radiators from Basildon, axles from Swansea and transmissions from Halewood were also in demand.

Vauxhall has also concentrated more efforts on the European market to take up slack from UK production. The company sold a record 11,654 vehicles last year, an 8.8 per cent increase on the previous year. Exports now account for 37 per cent of UK output. Sales are going as far afield as Singapore and New Zealand, where there is a demand for right-hand drive vehicles.

Nissan in northeast England is also selling more to Asia, even to Japan. Hatchback versions of some models are not as popular in Japan as they are in Europe, so production there is not warranted. Instead, cars are shipped from Sunderland. A spokesman says: "The cars say on the wing that they are made in the UK and carry the Union Jack so that anyone buying them knows where they have come from. It is tremendous for our staff to know that we have reached the quality standards expected in Japan."

Exporting to Eastern Europe is a small but growing outlet for Nissan. The spokesman adds: "We sell fewer than 10,000 cars there but what is important is to have a wide spread of markets for stability when some markets turn down." With sales depressed in the UK, exports have hit 90 per cent of production, although Nissan regards just over 80 per cent as more realistic in the longer term.

In 1991, exports accounted for 112,700 of the 124,500 cars produced. Total sales rose to 179,000 last year, with 157,234 leaving the country. Those figures put Nissan 14th among top UK export earners in 1991 with sales worth £695 million and Nissan believes it was in the top ten last year.

Caterham Cars rescued the Super Seven from extinction when it bought the manufacturing rights in 1973. It was the first UK outlet when Lotus began production of the two-seater open sports car in 1957 and later became sole concessionaire.

David Wakefield, the director, says: "It sells on performance. It has the handling characteristics of racing cars. It accelerates as fast as any production car but costs a lot less."

Prices range from £8,000 for the kit model to £30,000. Although new engines have been installed to meet tougher noise and emission regulations, the basic shape has remained unchanged through 35 years of continuous production.

Despite its reputation for resisting imports, Japan is the biggest single market, taking the top-of-the-range models. Several Japanese dealers competed to win the dealership there in 1973 and sub-dealerships have been established throughout the country.

With recession hitting UK sales, exports have been increasingly important for Caterham. Only about 30 per cent of output used to be exported but, over the past two years, half the vehicles have gone abroad. Production peaked at 750 cars. This year output is expected to be 600, 25 per cent of it to Japan.

Mr Wakefield says: "The increase in exports has almost compensated for the fall in sales in the UK."

Booster Electric Vehicles, the holder of a British Council Design Award, has won a Queen's Award for exports for its scooters for the disabled and the elderly. More than half its output is exported to Europe, North America and Australasia.

Cookson Entek was established only four years ago as an Anglo-US joint venture but quickly found a niche supplying raw materials for car batteries. It is one of only five manufacturers of polyethylene material to separate positive and negative plates.

Dr Howard Forrest, the managing director, says: "The new material has really taken off in the past five years and has significant advantages over the traditional PVC and cellulose separators.

"It makes the battery more powerful and has a longer life."

As well as cars, fork-lift trucks and milk floats are among the beneficiaries. It is estimated that two thirds of all car batteries produced in Europe use polyethylene separators and the Asian Pacific region is also a big market. Now that exports are taking 75 per cent of sales, staffing levels at the Killingworth, Newcastle upon Tyne company have risen to 110.

Land Rover Power Train, one of the technological award winners, has developed a diesel engine that overcomes the problems of poor high-speed performance and high emission and noise levels often found with direct-injection diesel engines.



Super Seven: the Caterham Cars team with their successful kit car, which has won the company a Queen's Award for Exports

Brokers make contribution to invisibles

The highly publicised troubles at Lloyd's of London have not prevented two brokers from winning exports awards for their contributions to Britain's invisible earnings, *Rodney Hobson writes.*

Richard Shaw, the chairman and chief executive at Lowndes Lambert, says: "It has been tough, but we have been going after business." Lowndes earns fees in well over 100 countries.

One success story has been in Australia, where Lowndes is broker for seven of the top 10 Australian contractors that have been winning business in the Pacific region. It has also won new accounts from the United States..


"It has been tough": Richard Shaw

Mr Shaw says: "We are starting to open up in Central and Eastern Europe, but in a way that is not capital-intensive to get in on the ground floor."

Mr Lowndes has been particularly strong in marine insurance in this country; 90 per cent of the brokerage's earnings come from foreign fleets.

Alec Page, chairman of R Mears, another award winner, says: "There is still a lot of business out there but there is now a shortage of underwriters in London and world markets willing to take on risks at current prices."

As one of the smaller brokers, Mears has sought markets in unexpected places. It handles the reinsurance for Outer Mongolia's national airline and also for the country's main product, livestock.

Another source of income is Slovenia, part of the former Yugoslavia. Other markets targeted by Mears include central America and the Caribbean.

Being owned by a foreign bank is no bar to winning an export award for Britain.

The export finance unit of Banque Paribas in London has scored a first for a French bank. The seven-member unit has been particularly successful in helping British companies with projects in Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia, but its links extend beyond the traditional French sphere of influence to regions that include China, Malaysia, South Korea and India.

West Merchant Bank started trading in 1964 as a subsidiary of Standard Chartered. For the past two years it has been jointly owned by Westdeutsche Landesbank of Germany and has now passed fully into German ownership.

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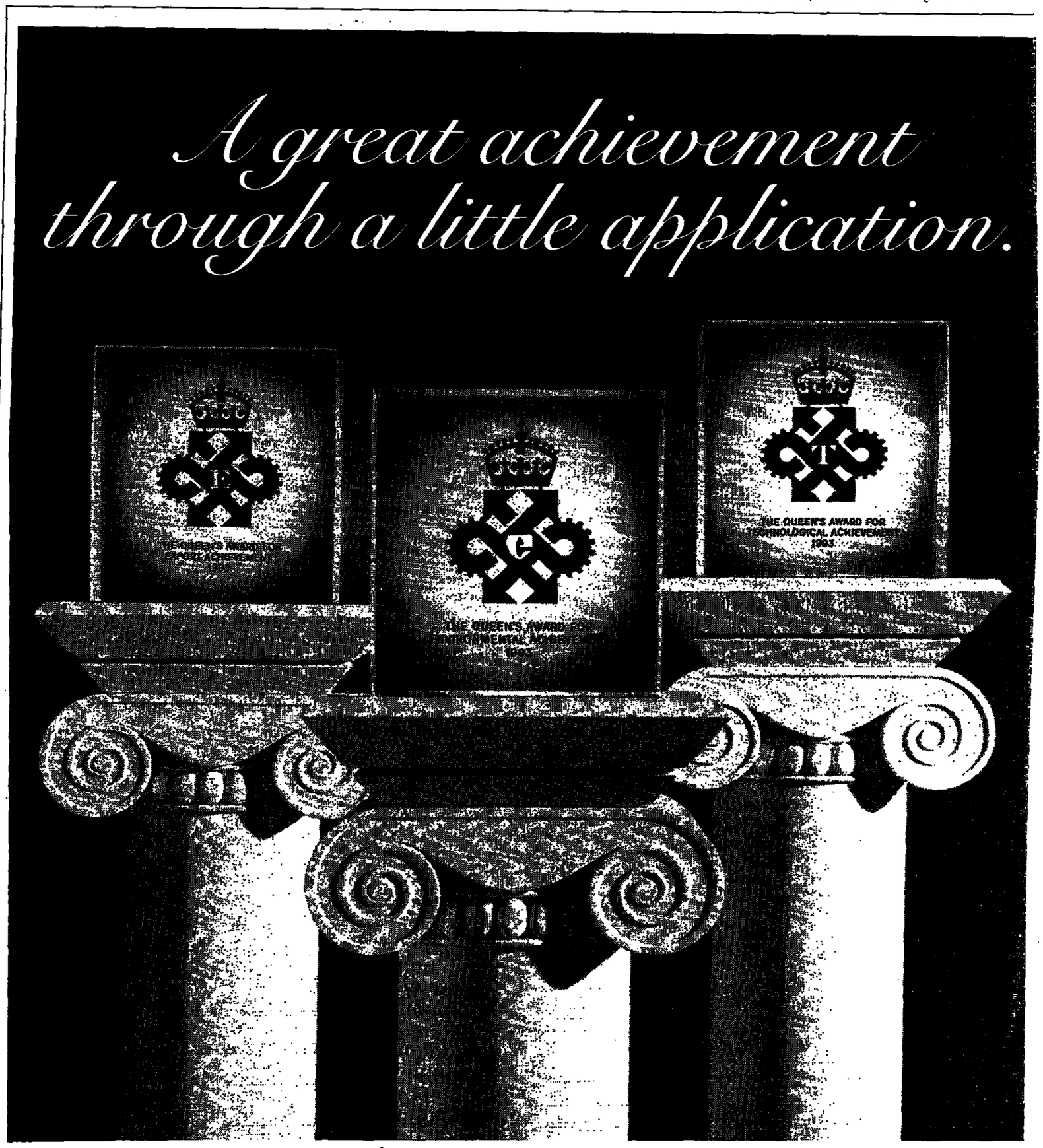
Patrick Macdougall, the chairman and chief executive, says: "Our award underlines London's importance as a financial centre and ownership is irrelevant."

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The 1993 Queen's Awards winners

The following have been granted the Queen's Award for Export Achievement 1993:

A E S Engineering (Rotherham and Bradford Branch), Rotherham, South Yorkshire: awarded for export of mechanical seals.
A S M (Orchestra), The Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields, London: concert performances.
Advent Communications, Chesham, Buckinghamshire: satellite communications equipment.
Airwair, Wellingborough, Northamptonshire: footwear.
Appletise, Woking, Surrey: fruit juice.
A E Arthur, King's Lynn, Norfolk: dressmakers' dummies.
Autovalet Systems International, London: microprocessor-controlled automatic garment dispensers.
B C B International, Cardiff, South Glamorgan, Wales: leisure and safety equipment.
BT & D Technologies, Ipswich, Suffolk: optoelectronic components.
Edward Baker, Sudbury, Suffolk: pet food.
Banque Paribas Export Finance Unit, London: provision of finance.
Bioscot, Edinburgh, Scotland: blood-typing reagents.
Booster Electric Vehicles, Huddersfield, West Yorkshire: electric scooters for the disabled and elderly.
Borden Decorative Products (Transprints Division), Morecambe, Lancashire: textile transfer paper.
CADCentre, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire: computer software and training.
Canadian Pizza Crust Co (UK), Salford, Greater Manchester: pizza bases.
Carron Bathrooms, Carron, Falkirk, Scotland: Perspex baths.
Caterham Cars, Caterham, Surrey: Super seven motor cars and kits.
Chadwicks of Bury, Bury, Lancashire: aluminium foil lids.
Churchill Tableware, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire: earthenware tableware and mugs.
ConvaTec, Deeside, Clwyd, Wales: medical products.
Coolson Eatek, Newcastle upon Tyne, Tyne and Wear: polyethylene materials for car batteries.
The Copyrights Company, *Milton, Nr Banbury, Oxfordshire*: copyrights licensor for writers and artists.
Croda Kerr, Liverpool, Merseyside: fire-extinguishing chemicals.
Derwent MacDee, Doncaster, South Yorkshire: plastic *plumbing and sanitary ware* products.
Desurvey, Birkenhead, Merseyside: engineering design services.
Dunphy Combustion, Rochdale, Lancashire: industrial gas, oil and combination burners.
Dynacast International, Alcester, Warwickshire: diecastings and automatic diecasting machines.
Epitaxial Products International, Cardiff, South Glamorgan, Wales: semiconductor wafers.
Europafite, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire: road safety equipment.
Europressings, Cardiff, South Glamorgan, Wales: steel pressings.
FMC Corporation (UK), Wellhead Equipment Division, Dunfermline, Fife, Scotland: Surface and subsea oil wellhead equipment.
Financial Times Group, London: newspaper publishing and associated activities.
Ford Motor Company, Brentwood, Essex: motor vehicles *and components*.
Foster Refrigerator (UK), King's Lynn, Norfolk: commercial refrigeration.
Foster Wheeler Energy, Reading, Berkshire: construction and project management.
GEC ALSTHOM Transmission & Distribution Projects, (TaDPoLe), Stafford, Staffordshire: power electronics systems and products.
Gaffney, Cline & Associates, Alton, Hampshire: management and technical consultants.
The Good Book Guide, London: books, magazines, video and audio cassettes.
Griffith Laboratories, European Group Bakery Business Unit, Somercotes, Derbyshire: breadcrumbs and novel coatings for the food industry.
Hanover Displays, Lewes, East Sussex: electronic signs.
Harrison & Sons, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire: security printing.
Hilditch & Key (Wholesale Division), Glenrothes, Fife, Scotland: shirts, ties and *sleepwear*.
A E Holt (Leicester), Leicester, Leicestershire: socks.
John Horsfall & Sons (Greetland), Halifax, West Yorkshire: blankets.
Hownet, Exeter Casting, Exeter, Devon: precision investment castings.
ICL Mid Range Systems, Bracknell, Berkshire: ICL DRS 6000 series computers and associated UNIX products.
IXI, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire: computer software.
It's At (UK), London: ladies high fashion garments.
Johnson Matthey, Catalytic Systems Division, European Autocatalyst Group, Royston, Hertfordshire: autocatalysts for vehicle exhausts.
Jotun-Henry Clark, London: marine and industrial paints.
Junior Hagen, London: fashion trimmings, textiles and accessories.
Justerini & Brooks, London: Scotch whisky.
KCC Process Equipment, Sunbury-on-Thames, Middlesex: process plant and equipment for oil and natural gas production.
Kacy, London: ladies garments.
John Laing International, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire: construction and project management.
Lightfoot Surfaces, Great Doddington, Northamptonshire: resin and rubber floor surfaces.
Linnhoff March, Knutsford, Cheshire: PINCH technology expertise.
Lion Cabinets, Leeds, West Yorkshire: *mild steel* enclosures for computer hardware.
Lofthouse of Fleetwood, Fleetwood, Lancashire: Fisherman's Friend lozenges.
Lothian Coated Fabrics, Prestonpans, East Lothian, *Scotland: textile finishing*.



● Taking off: an aircraft ejection seat said to be the first controlled by a microprocessor has won a technology award for its designers, Martin-Baker Aircraft, of Uxbridge, West London. The Navy Aircrew Common Ejection Seat has been chosen as standard for United States Navy aircrew: more than 500 have been delivered. When activated, the seat — being tested, above, with a dummy — puts a crew member on a fully opened parachute three times faster than previous designs. It is being installed in Hornet, Tomcat and Goshawk aircraft.

Lowndes Lambert Group Holdings, London: international insurance broking.
Macallan-Glenlivet, Craigellachie, Banffshire, Scotland: Highland malt Scotch whisky.
Madge Networks, Chalfont St Giles, Buckinghamshire: token ring networking products.
Marks and Spencer, London: retail store produce.
Mayflower Glass, East Boldon, Tyne and Wear: glass *ships in bottles*.
R Mears & Co, London: insurance and reinsurance broking.
Morane, Banbury, Oxfordshire: plastic film and machines for print finishing and *ID*.
National Pig Development Company, Driffield, East Yorkshire: pig breeding stock.
Newey Goodman, Textile Division, Tipton, West Midlands: hook and eye and snap *fastener tapes*.
Newsround International Airfreight, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire: international freight forwarding.
Nissan Motor Manufacturing (UK), Sunderland, Tyne and Wear: motor vehicles.
Nylon Hosiery Company, Hinckley, Leicestershire: ladies hosiery.
Omega Diagnostics, Alloa, Clackmannanshire, Scotland: medical diagnostic test kits.
Otodynamics, Hatfield, Hertfordshire: electronic hearing test equipment.
P E D (Staden), Earls Barton, Northamptonshire: industrial infa-red ovens.
PPE, Harlow, Essex: display equipment.
Pauls Malt, Newmarket, Suffolk: malts for brewing, distilling and the food industry.
Pearsalls Sutures, Taunton, Somerset: materials for surgical sutures.
Peboc, Llangefni, Gwynedd, Wales: vitamin D and fine chemicals.
Pfizer, Sandwich, Kent: pharmaceuticals and animal health products.
Pig Improvement Company UK, Abingdon, Oxfordshire: live genetically advanced breeding pigs.
Pilkington Micronics, *Deeside, Clwyd, Wales: precision* glass for data storage and display.
Pointing, Prudhoe, Northumberland: food colours and flavours.
Porton Speywood, Wrexham, Clwyd, Wales: pharmaceutical products.
Powell Duffryn International Fuels, Harpenden, Hertfordshire: anthracite and coal.
Psygnosis, Liverpool, Merseyside: computer entertainment software.
Racal Radar Defence Systems, Chessington, Surrey: naval electronic warfare equipment.
Randox Laboratories, Crumlin, Co Antrim, Northern Ireland: medical and veterinary diagnostic kits.
The Really Useful Group, London: theatre producers/licensors, music publishers and record *producers*.
Redwood International (Unipics), Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire: business software.
Reyrolle, Hebburn, Tyne and Wear: electrical switchgear.
Riggarna UK, Christchurch, Dorset: rigging for yachts.
Felix Rosenstiel's Widow & Son, London: unframed reproduction picture prints.
STC Submarine Systems, London: submarine telecommunications systems.
St Brendans Irish Cream Liqueur Company, Londonderry, Northern Ireland: cream liqueurs.
Schroder Capital Management International, London: investment management services for pension funds.
Shelbourne Reynolds Engineering, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk: combine harvester rotary stripping heads.
Fokker Division of Short Brothers, Belfast, Co Antrim, Northern Ireland: aircraft wings.
Sigmaform UK, Wellingborough, Northamptonshire: heat shrinkable cable jointing and accessories.
Silent Channel Products, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire: rubber seals and bodyside mouldings.
E Slinger & Sons — The Slinger Group, Blackburn, Lancashire: meat products.
Stewart Hughes, Eastleigh, Hampshire: monitoring equipment and software.
TSS (UK), Weston-on-the-Green, Oxfordshire: marine instruments.
Tacofin, Winsford, Cheshire: polythene film.
Charles W Taylor & Son, South Shields, Tyne and Wear: iron castings.
Edward Thompson (Printers), Sunderland, Tyne and Wear: printed promotional games, bingo stationery.
Thor Ceramics, Glasgow, Scotland: graphitic industrial ceramics for steel casting processes.
Titus International, Iver, Buckinghamshire: furniture fasteners in plastic and zinc.
Torquemeters, Ravensthorpe, Northamptonshire: producers of torquemeters.
Transatlantic Clothing Company inc. Aero Leathers, Galashiels, Selkirkshire, Scotland: leather outer clothing.
University of Strathclyde Graduate Business School, Glasgow, Scotland: part-time MBA degrees to students overseas.
Vascutek, Inchinnan, Renfrewshire, Scotland: sterile implantable vascular grafts *made from polyester fibre*.
Vauxhall Motors, Luton, Bedfordshire: motor vehicles.
Voltech Instruments, Abingdon, Oxfordshire: electronic measuring instruments.
Vosper Thornycroft Holdings, Southampton, Hampshire: *ships and marine* related products.
Warwick Fabrics UK, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire: printed fabrics and pattern books.
West Merchant Bank, London: merchant banking *services*.

The following have been awarded the Queen's Award for *Technological* Achievement 1993:

BT Laboratories (BTL) Optical Research Division, Ipswich, Suffolk: awarded for metal organic vapour phase epitaxy for making semiconductor devices for the optoelectronics industry.
Bridon Ropes, Brifen Department, Doncaster, South Yorkshire: Brifen wire rope safety fence.
Marine Technology, Castrol, *Pangbourne, Berkshire*: Castrol Marine Cyltech 80 — diesel cylinder lubricant.
The Darwen Site of Crown Berger, Darwen, Lancashire: loop process for continuous manufacture of emulsion polymers suitable for the production of paints and adhesives.
Glacier Vandervell, Kilmarnock, Strathclyde, Scotland: crankshaft bearing materials for highly loaded applications.
Holroyd, Rochdale, Lancashire: computer numerically controlled tool and cutter grinding machinery.
Huntleigh Healthcare (Cardiff), Cardiff, South Glamorgan, Wales: range of pocket diagnostic instruments for vascular and obstetric investigations.
ICL Corporate Systems, Gorton, Manchester: Series 39 SX mainframe computer systems.
Insignia Solutions, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire: SoftPC, software emulation system.
Intavent, Pangbourne, Berkshire: Laryngeal mask for anaesthetics purposes.
Joint Replacement Instrumentation, London: hydroxyapatite ceramic coated total hip prosthesis.
Kelvin Hughes, Ilford, Essex: RSR 1000 river radar.
Land Rover Power Train, Solihull, West Midlands: 200 TDi diesel engine.
Martin-Baker Aircraft, Uxbridge, Middlesex: Navy aircrew common ejection seat (NACES).
NextBase, Ashford, Middlesex: computerised route planning systems.
Oxford Applied Research, Oxford, Oxfordshire: reactive atom-radical beam source.
P P Payne, Nottingham, Nottinghamshire: Supastrip pressure-sensitive adhesive tear tape.
Pitman-Moore, Uxbridge, Middlesex: automatic cattle wormer.
pneuPAC, Luton, Bedfordshire: small portable lung ventilators.
Raychem Corporate Technology Europe, Swindon, Wiltshire: heat-shrinkable fabric-based telecommunications splice cases.
S & S International, Berkhamsted, Hertfordshire: *Dr Solomon's Anti-virus* Toolkit, an anti-virus program for computers.
Smiths Industries Aerospace & Defence Systems — Integrated Display Systems, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire: *multi-purpose cockpit colour display system for high performance aircraft*.
Solid State Logic, Oxford, Oxfordshire: digital audio post production systems.
Trouic Electronic Services, Ulverston, Cumbria: controlled environment underwater mateable electrical connector.
ZENECA, Grangemouth, Stirlingshire, Scotland: manufacture of Hexaconazole and Flutriafol, systemic fungicides.

The following have been awarded the Queen's Award for Environmental Achievement 1993:

Agricultural Genetics, MicroBio Division, Royston, *Hertfordshire: development of* insect pathogenic nematode products as alternative products to synthetic pesticides.
BEWT (Water Engineers), Alcester, Warwickshire: Chemelec electrolytic metal recovery systems for control of *industrial pollution*.
Edwards High Vacuum International, Crawley, West Sussex: DP160V chemical dry pump, which reduces polluting emissions in chemical processing.
FKI Babcock Robey, Oldbury, West Midlands: development of low NOx emission range of steam and hot water boilers.
Foseco (FS) Foundry Division's non-ferrous metal treatment team, Tamworth, Staffordshire: rotary degassing of aluminium/alloys in the foundry industry.
Horticulture Research International, Wellesbourne, Warwickshire: development of *insect parasitic nematode products as alternative* products to synthetic pesticides.
Johnson Matthey, Catalytic Systems Division, Royston, Hertfordshire: Autocatalysts for the control of vehicle exhaust emissions.
Kerry Ultrasonics, Hitchin, Hertfordshire: development of cleaning systems in which ozone-depleting CFCs are replaced by environment-friendly aqueous and semi-aqueous cleaning liquids.
Pilkington Glass (Basic Glass), St Helens, Merseyside: Pilkington K Glass — an energy saving glass.
Ricardo Consulting Engineers, Shoreham-by-Sea, West Sussex: tumbling air motion in gasoline engines for *cars*.
Ricoh UK Products, Telford, Shropshire: recycling and CFC elimination in selenium drum production.
Sericol, Broadstairs, Kent: water-based screen print *inks*.



● That's the style: It's At, a London fashion company, has, in just six years of business, carved out a niche for the export of high fashion women's wear. See opposite page



● A machinist, left, at work at John Horsfall & Sons, a Halifax blanket maker, which is one of the award winners. Half its production is exported. Long haul international airlines, including British Airways, are among the company's main customers buying individually designed blankets woven with their logos. Horsfall was founded in 1863 and the current chairman, John Horsfall Benson, is the great grandson of the founder. Mr Benson says that attention to detail and the use of modern production equipment has been very important to the company's success.

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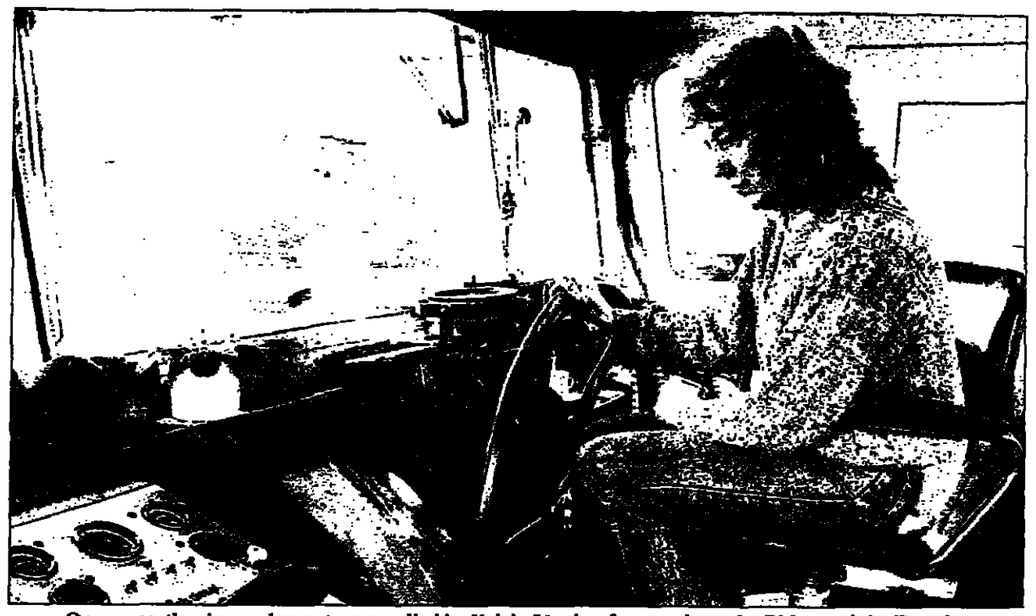
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Shaping up: Dressmakers' dummies produced by Eric Arthur's company are exported all over the world



On course: the river radar system supplied by Kelvin Hughes for vessels on the Rhine and the Danube

The models of success

Clothing manufacturers are taking on the world and winning

Clothing manufacturers have stitched up a range of awards for export. Most are small outfits that have not been afraid to take on bigger foreign competitors, *Rodney Hobson writes.*

The wholesale division of Hilditch & Key, the shirt manufacturer, sells at the top end of the market, offering high quality shirts and sleepware to bespoke standards, plus handmade ties.

The division, operating from Glenrothes, in Fife, has established America, Italy, Spain and Japan as its most important markets but goods go elsewhere in Europe and the Far East. Exports have risen rapidly to three-quarters of the division's sales.

Another Scottish company at the top end of its chosen market is Transatlantic Clothing, in Galashiels. It produces leather outer clothing, mainly jackets, and exports have risen rapidly to represent three-quarters of sales.

Using the brand name Aero, the company sells in Japan, where it has put in a good deal of effort, and Europe, particularly Germany and France.

Two small companies have found niches in the women's clothing market. It's At (UK), formed in 1987, has built up a substantial export business in high fashion women's garments. The company's markets are in the EC — it has showrooms in Amsterdam and Barcelona — and the Middle East.

Kacy, established in 1973, exports to western Europe, where its sales of ladies' garments have represent more than two-thirds of total sales.

Competing with Far East producers in the socks market is AE Holt, from Leicester. It sells in The Netherlands, France and Scandanavia.

Airway, at Wellingborough, Northants, was set up in 1988 to manufacture Dr Martens branded footwear for export markets. Business has grown quickly, with products sold in North America, Europe and the Pacific region.

Dressmakers' dummies have been produced by AE Arthur of Kings Lynn, Norfolk, since 1919. A new model was developed to break into the Japanese market to add to exports to America, Europe, Australasia and South Africa.

Stars of the small screen

A journey down the Rhine or a flight in the Eurofighter are made safer

Two navigation display systems, developed to meet the contrasting conditions found in aircraft cockpits and river boats, have earned two technology awards for Smiths Industries, *Rodney Hobson writes.*

Smiths, which spent £115 million on research and development last year, has won 16 previous awards but this is the first time it has managed two for technology in the same year.

Sailing down the Rhine and the Danube is safer thanks to improvements in radar equipment supplied by Kelvin Hughes, the marine and naval division of Smiths Industries.

The technology award has been won for a river radar system developed since 1988 to comply with rigorous specifications for Rhine navigational aids. The radar system must be able to distinguish between small targets at specific distances.

The RSR1000 developed by Hughes gives a greatly improved reading at the critical short ranges. Uniform brightness across the screen during daylight or at night was achieved by using special circuits. RSR1000 has captured a quarter of the market on the Rhine and Danube, providing Hughes with £1 million a year in income, and is gaining favour in Eastern Europe. It is the fifth Queen's Award for Hughes.

The award to the Smiths Industries' aerospace unit at Cheltenham follows seven years work on a display that provides a full colour moving map visible in direct sunlight or total darkness. Cathode ray tube technology used earlier was not bright enough for use in sunlight, could not produce fine detail and interfered with pilots' night vision goggles.

Since it went into production in 1989, more than 1,000 have been fitted to aircraft such as the vertical takeoff British Aerospace Harrier and its US version.

The improvement in operational efficiency was demonstrated on the front line in the Gulf War. A display is being developed for the Eurofighter 2000.

The display can be used for 1,600 operating hours between servicing compared with 400 hours for the old displays.

Double award for greater intelligence

A double award for ICL — for technology at West Gorton, Manchester, and for exports at Bracknell — continues a success story for the computer group. The Gorton unit has now picked up three awards in total, the latest for success in improving the Series 39 mainframe system, *Rodney Hobson writes.*

The silicon chips have five times more intelligence than in earlier versions, so that only one third of the number of chips and one seventh of the number of processor boards need to be used. Latest versions are now delivering up to four times the power as an older computer of the same size.

Sales of the latest Series 39 product began in October 1990 and 270 systems worth more than £500 million have been delivered to customers worldwide.



Checking a DRS 6000 computer circuit at Ashton

At Bracknell the award is for the DRS 6000 computer range and associated products. Sales have trebled over the past three years to £250 million in Europe, the Middle East, Asia and North America. European buyers include Poland, the Czech and Slovak republics and Hungary.

The printed circuit boards used in the computers are manufactured at Kidsgrove, Staffordshire, and assembled at Ashton, Manchester, while development was undertaken at Bracknell.

Mike Coote, the managing director for mid-range systems, says: "Worldwide competition is intense and, to increase market share, companies have to provide customers with more than a simple sales and delivery service."

Significant orders that contributed to the export success included those from the Spanish social security ministry and the Bank of Cairo.

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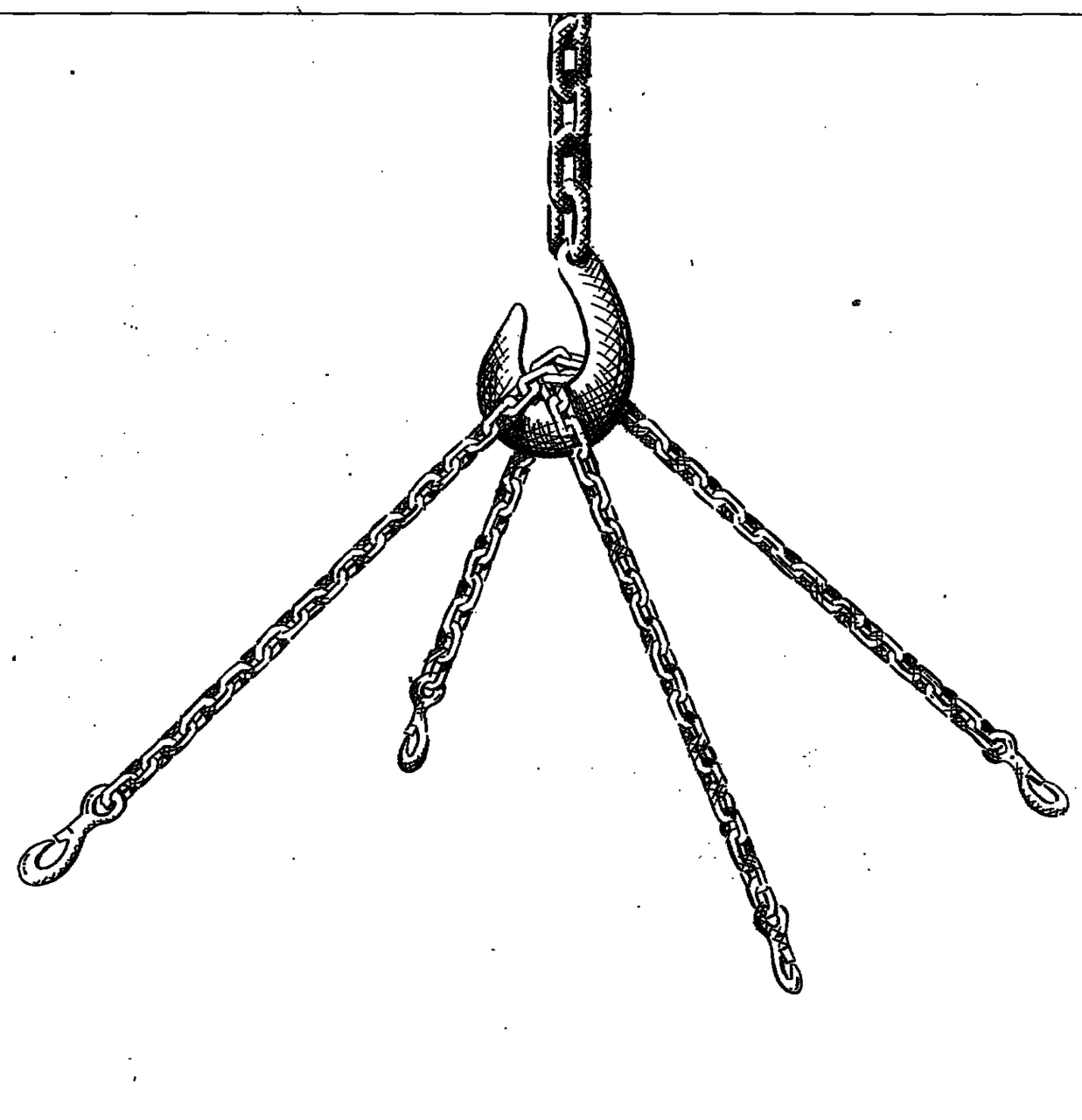
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Derek Harris reports on a green success for the unseen killers in the greenhouse and the photocopier helping to save the ozone layer

Exocet worm hits its target

Two of the winners of the new environmental achievement section scored double awards: each also won awards for export achievement. They are Johnson Matthey's catalytic systems division, whose products are used to clean up vehicle exhausts and Pilkington Glass, which has produced a special glass that sharply reduces heat loss.

Among the dozen companies that won green awards were two biotechnology organisations, a vehicle engine maker and a manufacturer of photocopier drums.

What has been dubbed a "biological Exocet" — a primitive worm which feeds on insect larvae — has earned a joint award for the government-backed Horticulture Research International (HRI) and, in the private sector, the Agricultural Genetics Company (AGC).

The worms supplant the use of synthetic pesticides in greenhouses, particularly against the larvae of the black vine weevil, sciarid flies and mushroom flies.

HRI, based at Wellesbourne in Warwick, has won two previous Queen's Awards for technological achievement.

The problem faced with the worms was to produce them in commercial quantities and this was achieved by HRI by developing a fluid diet regimen to grow them. The worms are sized at 20 microns, which means that a teaspoon could hold about half a million of them.

The worms attack insect larvae in soil, burrowing into them, then "exploding" out of the remaining shell.

AGC's MicroBio subsidiary, based at Thriplow, Cambridgeshire, has pioneered the identification of useful, naturally occurring organisms and their development into environmentally acceptable products.

Dr Peter Innes, director, said that biopesticides account for barely half of plant protection worldwide.

However, dramatic growth in the use of the friendly biopesticides is now expected, and MicroBio is well placed to take advantage of such a development.

Ricoh UK, at Telford, Shropshire, spent three years perfecting a key component for photocopiers which has brought benefits to the environment and achieved a cheaper process. The "greening" of the process was in supplanting the use of ozone-depleting CFC solvents, plus a recycling which saved both selenium and aluminium.

The new component is a selenium-coated aluminium drum used in plain paper copiers produced by Ricoh, which is a subsidiary of Japan's Ricoh group. The UK subsidiary largely designed and developed the new method, which is being used elsewhere by the parent Ricoh, mainly in the United States. Takashi Nakamura, the UK managing director, said the award was "an excellent reward for the efforts of our engineers".

Atmosphere-contaminating solvent, which the screen printing industry was once obliged to use, could be on the way out, thanks to Sericol, the award-winning printing inks subsidiary of Burmah Castrol.

Sericol, whose manufacturing and research establishment is at Broadstairs, Kent, claims to be a world leader in the development and manufacture of screen printing inks and photo stencil emulsions.

Sericol already has two exports Queen's Awards and one for technological achievement. Now it has a range of water-based screen printing inks which substantially reduce the use of solvents and, in some conditions, eliminate them.

Sericol has widespread operations abroad — about 65 per cent of its sales are outside Britain — notably in France, Germany, Spain, Switzerland, the United States and Hong Kong. There is licensed manufacture in Japan and Australia.

A second Burmah Castrol group subsidiary, Foseco, the Tamworth-based foundry products maker, has also won an environmental award. The award has gone to its non-ferrous metal treatment team, which has introduced a new technique, rotary degassing, to the foundry industry. This removes unwanted hydrogen gas from molten aluminium alloys.

The rotary system is environmentally friendly, unlike earlier methods which caused a health hazard to workers and, because of a chlorine content, contributed to the destruction of the ozone layer.

A new range of high efficiency gas and oil fired boilers which cut nitrogen oxide emissions by up to 60 per cent has earned an award for FKI Babcock Robey, based in the West Midlands. Babcock Robey is a subsidiary of the FKI engineering group.

The new steam and hot water boilers, branded Euronox, confer other benefits, including up to 3 per cent improvement in boiler efficiency, lower workplace noise, less electricity consumption and some reduction in ancillary units.

An environmentally friendly pump for use in the chemical industry has won an award for Edwards High Vacuum International, based in Crawley, Sussex, and part of BOC.

The range of rotary mechanical pumps is unlubricated and without sliding parts. Gases drawn off by the pumps can be reclaimed and solvents can be recovered and used again, reducing any threat to the environment.

Ricardo Consulting Engineeers, of Shoreham-by-Sea, West Sussex, already a past winner of a technology award, won an environmental award for the effective commercial application of a tumbling air motion system for use in mass produced vehicle engines.

Its green effect is considerable. It cuts production of carbon dioxide and hydrocarbons by 18 per cent and carbon monoxide by 25 per cent in some engines.

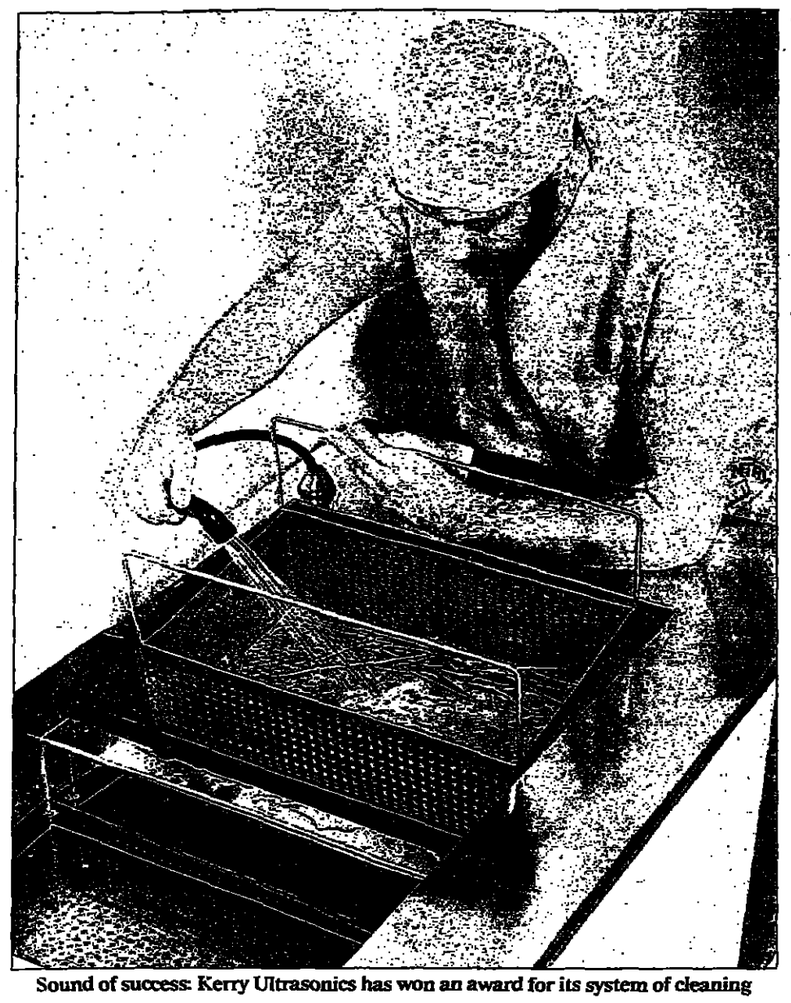
The system also improves efficiency, slashing fuel consumption typically by 5 per cent.

BEWT (Water Engineers), an effluent treatment specialists, has developed an approach to recovering metals from the waste from electronics manufacture. Hitherto, this was dealt with by total-loss methods now discredited as environmental concerns have risen.

An electrolysis system is used to recover the metals but development has avoided diffusion problems with such a system. Metal concentrations in final residual solutions have been reduced to as little as 0.1 parts per million. It means metal recovery rates are 99 per cent or more.

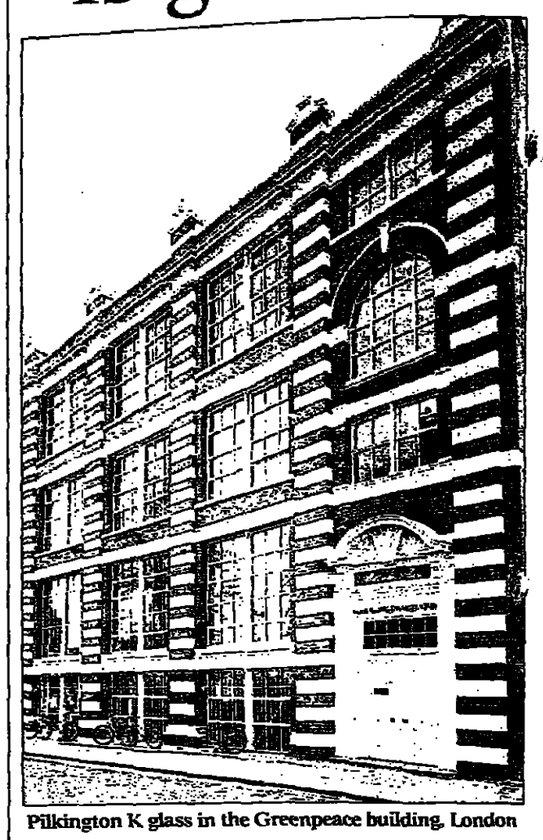
Kerry Ultrasonics, of Hitchin, Hertfordshire, which is part of the Halma group, gains an award for its system of ultrasonic cleaning for a wide variety of industries including electronics and the optical industry. The method supplants old ones using CFCs that affect the ozone layer.

Sound waves are sent through tanks of cleaning solution and this helps the cleaning fluid to penetrate even the smallest of crevices either side of a surface.



Sound of success: Kerry Ultrasonics has won an award for its system of cleaning

The glass is greener



Pilkington K glass in the Greenpeace building, London

Johnson Matthey, the world leader in manufacturing vehicle catalyst systems to clean up exhaust emissions, is one of the limited number of companies which have received more than one Queen's Award this year. Another is Pilkington Glass, the glass manufacturer with headquarters in St Helens, Lancashire, whose K glass reduces heat loss, Derek Harris writes.

Based in Royston, Hertfordshire, Johnson Matthey Catalytic Systems has secured an award for exports and one of the new awards for environmental achievement.

Autocatalysts, which the company produces at the rate of more than 20 million a year, reduce by as much as 90 per cent car exhaust emissions that are a major cause of acid rain and photochemical smog. The business has expanded as nations have brought in legislation to enforce the use of catalysts in new car production.

Pilkington has won an environmental award after the launch in Britain more than two years ago of its K glass, which, by using a special undercoating, cuts heat losses through the glass. It has the insulation efficiency of a nine-inch brick wall, better than even a triple-glazed normal glass. Domestic heating is rated the biggest polluter in terms of "greenhouse" gases.

Pilkington's success in directly coating glass has enabled it to strike licensing deals with the biggest glassmakers in America and continental Europe.

An export award has gone to Pilkington Micronics, which makes precision-worked flat glass for use in liquid crystal displays and computer hard discs. Its main rivals are Japanese but it exports to America, mainland Europe and even Japan.

Better breathing and walking

Medical innovations have won technology awards for three companies, Rodney Hobson writes.

About 95 per cent of ambulance services use the portable gas-powered lung ventilators that have won the honour for pneuPAC. Paul Webb, sales and marketing director, says the Luton company's strength is that virtually all component manufacturing and research and development is carried out within the group. It is sold in 60 countries and is approved by the British and American governments.

The ventilator allows spontaneous breathing but if the patient flags it begins automatic ventilation synchronised with the patient's breathing.

● Intavent, based at Tidmarsh in Berkshire, also concentrates on the patient's lungs, but during surgical operations. It has developed a new type of mask used by anaesthetists, consisting of a curved tube attached to an inflatable miniature mask that fits around the entrance to the larynx, where it forms a gas-tight seal.

Kevin Woods, technical support director, says: "Previously anaesthetists used the type of face mask that everyone knows from the cinema. Then a tube was developed to go down the patient's throat to the bronchial region. The advantage was that the tube prevented any vomit from getting into the patient's lungs. But the patient had to be paralysed first to relax the muscles in the throat. Because our tube goes only as far as the larynx the patient does not have to be paralysed."

● Joint Replacement Instrumentation, based in London, has made a breakthrough in hip replacement.

Brian Jones, the business manager, says: "The ball, and often the socket, in the joint deteriorate and they are replaced with metal. The operation involves placing a metal strip inside the hollow femur to hold the ball. Bone does not take to metal, so we spray on a coating of artificial bone. The artificial and natural bone fuse and heal."

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NEWS

Clinton orders Waco enquiry

■ President Clinton last night ordered a federal investigation into the handling of the siege in Waco, Texas, in which more than 80 people died, but said that David Koresh, leader of the Branch Davidian cult, bore "ultimate responsibility for the carnage". However, the president denied that he was trying to distance himself from Janet Reno, the attorney-general, who ordered the attack Pages 1, 6, 7

Croats and Muslims duel in Bosnia

■ Fighting between Croats and Muslims raged across central Bosnia as both tried to seize land in areas they would control under the Vance-Owen peace plan. As deaths climbed into the hundreds, a British lance corporal was seriously injured by a fellow-soldier in Vitez. A British helicopter was also fired on but landed safely Page 1, 9

Borrowing record

The government borrowed to the tune of £9.5 billion in March, an all-time record which underscored the severe problems ahead in trying to bring the public finances under control over coming years Pages 1, 25

Jury challenge

The Director of Public Prosecutions, Barbara Mills QC, called for defendants to lose the right to choose trial by jury. She suggested that prosecutors or magistrates should decide Page 1

TV backlash

Viewers are calling for a return to family entertainment in a backlash against violent films, television broadcasters and programme makers claimed at the Cannes television sales festival. Drama and documentaries are also in demand Page 3

Shouting out

Teachers are being warned not to shout at misbehaving children for fear of falling foul of the law. Guidelines issued by the Association of Teachers and Lecturers say the constant rebuking of pupils who disrupt lessons leaves teachers vulnerable to charges under the Children Act Page 5

On the march

German ground troops are to be deployed outside Europe for the first time since the second world war. The Bonn coalition government agreed to send 1,500 troops to boost the embattled aid effort in Somalia Page 10

Man in demand

President Scalfaro of Italy has come under pressure to name Mario Segni, the main promoter of the electoral reform referendum, as prime minister-designate after the dramatic vote in favour of a new political system Page 10

Hunt master

The famed British policeman, Commander George Churchill-Coleman, arrives in Johannesburg today to join the police hunt for the men who plotted the murder of Chris Hani, the South African Communist party leader Page 11

Sanctions clash

Moscow has voiced fresh unease at the UN vote for tighter sanctions and proposed a security council meeting in the war zone, but Serbs in Belgrade regard the embargo with disdain Page 9

Union's return

The AEEU engineering and electricial union has voted by an overwhelming majority to rejoin the TUC in a ballot which marks the first trade union referendum on TUC membership Page 2

Teachers accused

The National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers was accused of using an industrial dispute to challenge an elected government, as Conservative-controlled Wandsworth renewed its attempt to have a boycott of tests declared illegal Page 2

Lesbians win foster-parents right

■ A lesbian couple won a three-year struggle to become foster-parents when a decision to bar them because of their sexuality was overturned. The couple — a businesswoman and a former nurse and mother of two children — was the first to be rejected just for being lesbians. Hampshire social services staff supported their application Page 3



Mission achieved: the Duke of Edinburgh attends the renaming ceremony for RAF Germany at Rheindahlen yesterday. Page 2

BUSINESS

Pay unity: TUC leader Norman Willis is "openly enthusiastic" about an initiative backed by government, employers and unions for profit-related pay Page 28

Home boost: Abbey National said mortgage approvals rose 60 per cent in the first quarter; and it was "cautiously optimistic" that the recovery was now gathering momentum Page 25

Markets: Shares shrugged off City concern over government funding problems and the FT-SE 100 index closed up 26.1 at 2,856.1. Sterling made further gains, rising .72 cents against the dollar to $1.5472 and also .07 pfennigs to DM2.4635 Page 28

SPORT

Football: Rangers must beat CSKA Moscow in Glasgow tonight if they are to reach the European Cup final in Munich on May 29. Then they must rely on the result between Bruges and Marseilles going in their favour Page 48

Snooker: Steve Davis, six times world champion, has put three difficult years behind him and is again winning tournaments and challenging for the world title in Sheffield Page 46

Yachting: Bruno Peyron and his five-man crew looked set to enter the record books as the first to sail round the world in under 80 days, as their 85ft catamaran neared Ushant Page 44

FEATURES

Test-tube creation: Noddy is off to Hollywood to be a big-screen star. Are we proud? Or are we a bit embarrassed? Libby Purves on the little wooden bore Page 12

Red nails and glamour: Just as you had got to grips with Grunge, got your hair suitably greasy, bought your your crocheted hat, along comes the next fashion Page 13

MEDIA

Good reads: As editors brood on how to sell more newspapers in a trend of slow decline, the *Daily Mail* and *The Sunday Times* are proving 1993's cheerleaders. Brian MacArthur on what drives newspapers forward Page 34

ARTS

Pilger's view: Lynne Truss reviews John Pilger's TV programme *Return to Year Zero*, in which he says millions of Cambodians are again at risk from the Khmer Rouge and the UN is to blame Page 35

String serenade: The Salzburg *Marionettes*, visiting Britain for the first time since 1976, are presenting *The Magic Flute*, *Don Giovanni* and *The Tales of Hoffman* using classic recordings Page 36

A touch of class: Sainsbury's new "Pictures for Schools" scheme will provide 750 state schools each year with reproductions of great paintings and teaching packs to help pupils understand and enjoy them Page 37

PEOPLE IN THE TIMES



Douglas Hurd, citing Bosnia, says that foreign policy is not about ideal solutions but about minimising difficulties in an imperfect world
Pages 1, 9



Nicky Cole will become the first woman to walk to the North Pole in a team led by Robert Swan, who has walked to both the poles
Page 5



Sam Wanamaker has dreamed of recreating Shakespeare's Globe Theatre for almost 25 years. With £2 million still needed, building has begun
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THE TIMES TOMORROW

Out of time, out of Gere

Richard Gere, who plays an American Civil War veteran in the film *Sommersby*, manages to look more like a visitor from *Star Trek*. Geoff Brown checks out a time warp

Caught in the dragon's lair

Sixteen to twenty million Chinese live in "Labour Reform Camps". The truth about the Chinese Gulag sounds even less pleasant

Putting wings on high flyers

Airlines are in fierce rivalry to attract passengers, none more so than business travellers. How are they managing to woo custom?

TV LISTINGS

Pop artist Richard Hamilton composes a 1990s version of his famous 1956 collage at the invitation of *QED* (BBC1, 9.30pm). But this time he substitutes electronics for scissors and paste Page 47

OPINION

No guardrails

David Koresh has made good his prophecy that he would "die by the flames of hell"; but in so doing, he has forced many in America to examine their consciences. He has forged from a bloody Texan siege a parable of modern life Page 15

Global revival

The new Globe Theatre can be an ornament for all seasons, even though those in the pit will still be rained upon. London needs more live Shakespeare in all styles and stagings, not more pious antiquarianism, however authentic Page 15

COLUMNS

SIMON JENKINS

South Africa refuses point blank to conform to the apocalyptic model analysts have tried to impose on it since the Soweto riots of 1976. This is rubbish. The real picture is of a ruling elite widening its popular legitimacy in exchange for a share in the spoils of office Page 14

ALAN COREN

Nowadays, Harrods is ellie-friendly. Not only do we no longer sell elephants, they explained, we sell nothing that has come from elephants, no waste-basketed feet, no elephant-hair bracelets, and did you know that we are particularly proud of the fact that none of our piano-keys has ever been near an elephant? Page 14

LETTERS

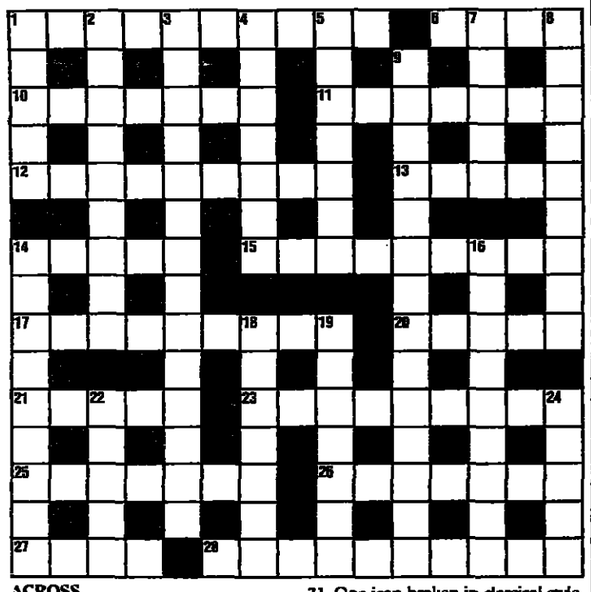
The threatened defection by clergymen in the Church of England over the ordination of women raises new issues Page 15

THE PAPERS

Given the vagaries of human nature, there may be no way to keep events like the Waco standoff, or Jonestown massacre, from happening again. But human institutions, like governments, can at least try to minimise the terrible damage human being sometimes do to themselves — *LA Times*

Building a new Italy will be hard work, there are so many deep-rooted bad habits. The first step that counts has been taken by the electorate. It is up to the elite to take on its responsibility — *Le Monde*

THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 19,210



ACROSS

1 A place for fun when it's out of bounds! (10)
6 Common fog is half soot, travelling northwards (4)
10 Dye made from iodine, no good *against showers* (7)
11 Edged as old brickwork joints should be? (7)
12 English river shellfish the French find abhorrent (9)
13 Longship slow in the air? (5)
14 Western eminence flauter? Not right! (5)
15 Knowing cocaine makes one gag . . . (9)
17 . . . through providence, possibly? (9)
20 Nothing unoccupied at the Oval (5)
21 One icon broken in classical style (5)
23 Tailless flatfish approaching shore like an aircraft (5-4)
25 Threat from low tars coming out of the tube (7).
26 Criminal snared by the wire? (7)
27 *Toy swing* (2-2)
28 Translating "to be" — Latin's basic elements (10)

DOWN

1 Hackneyed ceremony after the end of August (5)
2 Great menu set out, yet he will add something to it (9)
3 Plain yellow or mottled grouse (7-7)
4 Weapon of Little John or Tall Bob, say? (7)
5 The last place to see Society looking threadbare (7)
7 Ring that contains a magpie? (5)
8 Elderly retired, in overcrowded environment, well secured (9)
9 Henry Higgins was one egotistical old sort! (14)
14 One's first calling-place? (9)
16 Cor! a happy outcome of some old books (9)
18 Two races recognised by Disraeli (7)
19 Banging drums may aggravate it (7)
22 Marshal holds bible on edge (5)
24 Bets in Irish pounds (5)

Solution to Puzzle No 19,209

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WEATHER

Patchy rain will clear eastern areas followed by cooler brighter weather, bringing showers to north and west. Scotland and Northern Ireland will have sunny intervals with showers in north and west. Patchy rain over eastern and central England will edge south-east, with brighter conditions over Wales and west bringing a clearer afternoon for central and eastern areas. It will feel cooler. Outlook: cloudy in west, bright elsewhere.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	18	64	s	Luxor	39	102	s
Akrotiri	19	66	s	Madrid	22	72	s
Alex'dria	19	66	s	Majorca	24	75	s
Algiers	27	81	s	Malaga	18	64	f
Amst'dm	19	66	s	Malta	19	66	s
Athens	20	68	s	Melb'rne	21	70	f
Bahrain	32	90	s	Mexico C*	24	75	f
Bangkok	35	95	f	Miami*	28	79	f
Barbados*	30	86	f	Milan	19	66	f
Barcelna	17	63	s	Montreal*	7	45	r
Beirut	19	66	s	Moscow	3	37	r
Belgrade	14	57	f	Munich	18	64	s
Berlin	11	52	f	Naples	17	63	f
Bermuda*	21	70	r	N Delhi	30	86	s
Biarritz	26	79	s	N York*	21	70	s
Borde'x	25	77	s	Nice	17	63	s
Brussels	21	70	s	Oslo	7	45	f
Budapst	14	57	f	Paris	23	73	s
B Aires*	18	64	f	Peking	25	77	f
Cairo	25	77	s	Perth	22	72	s
Cape Tn	30	86	s	Prague	12	54	f
Chicago*	13	55	r	Reykjavik	7	45	s
Ch'church	17	63	s	Rhodes	18	64	s
Cologne	20	68	s	Rio de J	31	88	s
C'phagn	10	50	s	Riyadh	35	95	s
Corfu	19	66	s	Rome	17	63	s
Dublin	12	54	r	Salzburg	17	63	s
Dubrownik	18	64	s	S F'isco*	17	63	s
Faro	19	66	f	Santiago*	16	61	f
Florence	18	64	s	Seoul	22	72	s
Frankfurt	19	66	f	Sing'por	29	84	f
Funchal	21	70	c	St'kholm	5	41	f
Geneva	19	66	s	Strasb'rg	21	70	s
Gibraltar	17	63	f	Sydney	24	75	s
Helsinki	4	39	s	Tangier	21	70	f
Hong K	21	70	r	Tel Aviv	19	66	s
Innsbrck	20	68	s	Tenerife	23	73	s
Istanbul	15	59	f	Tokyo	11	52	c
Jeddah	36	97	s	Toronto*	7	45	r
Jo'burg*	23	73	s	Tunis	24	75	s
Karachi	35	95	s	Valencia	19	66	s
L Palmas	22	72	c	Vanc'ver*	11	52	f
La Toquet	20	68	s	Venice	17	63	s
Lisbon	18	64	f	Vienna	9	48	c
Locarno	19	66	s	Warsaw	9	48	f
London	18	64	s	Wash'ton*	23	73	s
L Angels*	21	70	s	Wel'nton	16	61	s
Luxembg	18	64	s	Zurich	20	68	s

* denotes figures are latest available

LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 20C (68F); min 6pm to 6am, 11C (52F). Humidity: 6pm, 49 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6pm, nil. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 11.3hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6pm, 1,008.3 millibars, falling. 1,000 millibars=29.53in.

HIGHEST & LOWEST

Monday: Highest day temp: Jersey, Channel Islands, 17C (63F); lowest day max: Aboyne, Grampian, 5C (41F); highest rainfall: Tiree, Inner Hebrides, 1.16in; highest sunshine: Guernsey, Channel Islands, 8.2hr.

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 15C (59F); min 6pm to 6am, 10C (50F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.04in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 1.1hr.

GLASGOW

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 13C (55F); min 6pm to 6am, 10C (50F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.15in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 4.3hr.

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Aberdeen	-	0.24	6	43	rain
Anglesey	0.8	-	13	55	cloudy
Aviemore	0.5	0.24	8	46	rain
Belfast	0.2	0.25	13	55	cloudy
Birmingham	0.4	-	15	59	cloudy
Bognor Regis	2.9	-	14	57	bright
Bournemouth	3.3	-	14	57	bright
Bristol	0.8	-	15	59	cloudy
Buxton	0.7	0.17	13	55	cloudy
Cardiff	3.5	-	15	59	sunny
Clacton	1.3	-	16	61	cloudy
Colwyn Bay	-	0.01	13	55	cloudy
Cromer	X	0.02	16	61	cloudy
Edinburgh	-	0.40	12	54	rain
Eskdalemuir	-	0.67	9	48	rain
Exmouth	0.2	-	12	54	cloudy
Falmouth	3.0	-	13	55	bright
Folkestone	1.5	-	13	55	cloudy
Guernsey	8.2	-	15	59	sunny
Hastings	2.8	-	13	54	cloudy
Hurstmonceux	0.2	0.01	15	59	cloudy
Isle Of Man	0.1	0.06	11	52	cloudy
Jersey	6.0	-	17	63	sunny
Kinloss	0.5	0.18	7	45	rain
Leeds	1.4	0.01	16	61	bright
Lerwick	4.7	0.02	7	45	sunny
Littlehampton	3.2	-	13	55	bright
Liverpool	-	0.01	14	57	cloudy
Lowestoft	0.7	-	16	61	cloudy
Margate	2.2	-	15	59	cloudy
Minehead	3.2	-	17	63	bright
Morecambe	0.2	0.19	14	57	dull
Newcastle	-	0.35	13	55	rain
Nottingham	0.4	-	15	59	cloudy
Penzance	2.5	-	14	57	bright
Plymouth	1.7	-	14	57	cloudy
Poole	1.4	-	15	59	bright
Scarborough	-	0.37	13	55	dull
Shanklin	4.0	-	13	55	bright
Southend	1.4	-	15	59	cloudy
Southsea	2.9	-	13	55	bright
Stornoway	-	0.32	8	46	rain
Swansea	4.0	-	13	55	sunny
Teignmouth	0.4	-	13	55	cloudy
Tenby	2.3	-	13	55	cloudy
Tiree	-	1.16	10	50	rain
Torquay	0.3	-	14	57	cloudy
Weymouth	2.1	-	12	54	bright
Wick	X	0.05	6	43	rain
Worthing	2.8	-	12	54	bright

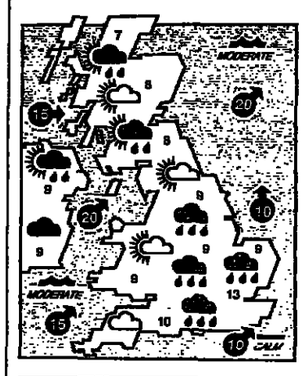
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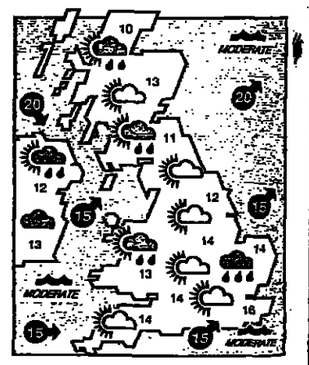
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Austria Sch	18.40	16.90
Belgium Fr	58.90	49.50
Canada $	2.06	1.90
Denmark Kr	10.06	9.26
Finland Mrk	9.10	8.30
France Fr	8.81	8.11
Germany Dm	2.60	2.40
Greece Dr	350.00	325.00
Hong Kong $	12.60	11.60
Ireland Pt	1.06	0.96
Italy Lira	2445.00	2300.00
Japan Yen	188.50	169.50
Netherlands Gld	2.93	2.70
Norway Kr	11.04	10.24
Portugal Esc	239.00	221.00
South Africa Rd	5.50	4.80
Spain Pta	184.00	171.00
Sweden Kr	11.85	11.15
Switzerland Fr	2.38	2.20
Turkey Lira	15400.0	14400.0
USA $	1.64	1.51

- Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC Different rates apply to travellers' cheques. Rates as at close of trading yesterday.

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PM



LIGHTING-UP TIMES

London 8.37 pm to 5.23 am
Bristol 8.47 pm to 5.32 am
Edinburgh 9.02 pm to 5.23 am
Manchester 8.51 pm to 5.25 am
Penzance 8.56 pm to 5.47 am

Sun rises: 5.53 am
Sun sets: 8.07 pm
Moon rises 5.16 am
Moon sets 8.01 pm
New moon 11.49pm

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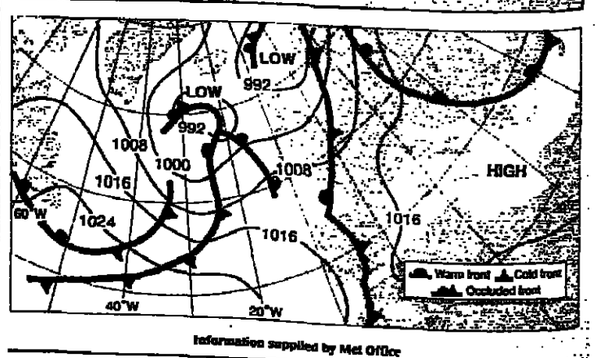
Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F			C	F	
Belfast	13	55	f	Guernsey	14	57	s
B'mngham	15	59	c	Inverness	13	55	r
Blackpool	11	52	c	Jersey	18	64	s
Bristol	13	55	c	London	18	64	s
Cardiff	12	54	c	M'nchster	13	55	c
Edinburgh	13	55	f	Newcastle	14	57	c
Glasgow	9	48	r	R'nldsway	9	48	c

HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT	TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	2.23	6.7	2.44	6.9	Liverpool	11.51	9.0		
Aberdeen	1.56	3.9	1.59	3.9	Lowestoft	10.24	2.3	10.15	2.3
Avonmouth	7.50	12.4	8.04	12.5	Margate	12.20	4.5	12.51	4.5
Belfast	11.40	3.1	11.57	3.2	Milford Haven	6.47	6.8	7.04	6.8
Cardiff	7.35	11.5	7.49	11.6	Newquay	5.38	6.6	5.55	6.6
Devonport	6.15	5.2	6.35	5.2	Oban	6.20	3.8	6.30	3.7
Dover	11.38	6.1	11.52	6.3	Penzance	5.13	5.3	5.32	5.3
Falmouth	5.45	5.0	6.05	5.0	Portland	7.14	1.9	7.37	2.0
Glasgow	1.26	4.2	1.48	4.3	Portsmouth	11.57	4.4		
Harwich	12.12	3.7	12.34	3.8	Shoreham	11.50	5.8		
Hollyhead	10.53	5.3	11.12	5.3	Southampton	11.31	4.2	11.49	4.4
Hull	8.57	7.0	9.05	7.2	Swansea	6.56	9.1	7.11	9.1
Ilfracombe	6.32	8.6	6.47	8.7	Tees	4.10	4.9	4.18	5.1
King's Lynn	7.10	6.1	7.14	6.2	W'ton-on-Nze	12.05	4.0	12.29	4.0
Leith	3.08	5.1	3.12	5.1					

NOON TODAY



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US $ ..... 1.5445 (+0.0045)
German mark..2.4673 (+0.0045)
Exchange index ..... 80.3 (+0.2)
Bank of England official close (4pm)

STOCK MARKET

FT-SE 100 ..... 2856.1 (+26.1)
Dow Jones ..3454.29 (-12.70)*
Nikkei Avg ..19828.43 (-283.91)

INTEREST RATES

London Bank Base..... 6%
3-month Interbank.... 6 1/16-5 15/16%
US Federal Funds 2 13/16%*
3-month Treas Bills 2.79-2.77%*
Long Bond 6.75%*

CURRENCIES

New York:	London:
£:$ 1.5420*	£:$ 1.5425
$:DM ..1.6001*	£:DM ...2.4645
$:SWfr..1.4645*	£:SWfr...2.2587
$:Fr ...5.4040*	£:Fr 8.3260
$:Yen ..110.70*	£:Yen ...170.87
£:SDR ..1.0947	£:ECU ..1.2647

London Forex market close

GOLD

London Fixing ($):
AM 341.55 ..... PM 339.90
Close 340.30-340.80
New York:
Comex 341.35-341.85*

RETAIL PRICES

RPI..... 139.3 March (1.9%)
* Denotes midday trading price

PSBR leaps to record in March

BY JANET BUSH
ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

■ The PSBR for the last financial year soared to £36.5 billion, up a record £9.5 billion in March, and higher than the Budget forecasts made only last month

THE government racked up a record £9.5 billion public sector borrowing requirement in March, pushing the PSBR for the full fiscal year £1.5 billion above the forecast in the Budget only a month ago.

The cumulative PSBR for the whole year totalled £36.5 billion, compared with the forecast in the Budget of £35.1 billion. This compares with a PSBR in 1991-2 of £13.8 billion, providing a measure of the devastating effect that the recession, coupled with higher public spending and tax cuts in the 1980s, has had on public finances.

Without the proceeds of privatisation, which totalled £8.1 billion in 1992-3, the PSBR would have been £44.6 billion. In March alone, the PSBR was cut by £1.4 billion as the government received £1.4 billion, largely from the sale of shares in BT.

The Treasury moved swiftly to dispel the thought that the worse-than-expected March figure justified an upward revision in the official forecast of a PSBR for this financial year of £50 billion, or 8 per cent of gross domestic product. Stephen Dorrell, financial secretary to the Treasury, said: "There's nothing in today's figures which would lead me to substantially revise the borrowing projections we've made for the year just starting."

The PSBR for March last year was £6.4 billion. The markets had been forecasting £8 billion for last month.

It is ironic that the PSBR total for the year was close to the projection contained in the Autumn Statement last year of £37 billion, subsequently revised down by £2 billion in the Budget. The Treasury appears to have been caught out by its own optimism that the PSBR was set to undershoot. Simon Briscoe, senior UK economist at Midland Global Markets, guesses that departments that may have found themselves spending below budget, made up for it by spending in other areas in the last month of the fiscal year.

The Treasury said that public corporation spending had overshot forecasts by £200 million, local authority spending by £300 million and receipts had undershot by £200 million. Inter-departmental outlays in March were about £800 million higher than expected, half of that due to a transfer from the government to the EC that is difficult to predict.

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Although the March figure was an initial shock for financial markets, the news was absorbed with little alarm. The government bond market, which is most sensitive to PSBR figures because it is substantially the sale of gilts that has to fund the deficit, ended only 1/4 of a point down. The main culprit for the overshoot appeared to be central government spending, which jumped an extraordinary 30 per cent in March compared with the same month a year ago. Over the course of the year as a whole, net departmental outlays were 13 per cent higher than a year earlier.

Michael Saunders, of Salomon Brothers, said: "These figures do not suggest public spending is out of control, merely that departments are not prepared to underspend their budgets. Nevertheless, it remains right to emphasise a firm line on public spending over the next year."

On the revenue side, income tax and VAT payments held up relatively well, apparently underscoring evidence of a modest but steady improvement in consumer spending.

Corporation tax receipts, however, were down 13.4 per cent from a year ago, highlighting "the enfeebled state of corporate profitability," according to John Marsland of UBS.

☐ Manufacturers are investing in capital equipment to support innovation at the healthiest rate since 1989, according to a joint survey by the Confederation of British Industry and National Westminster Bank. The results show that 40 per cent more manufacturers reported increases than falls in this category of investment in 1992.

Looking ahead, 25 per cent more firms said they expected to raise rather than cut capital spending on innovation in the year ahead and 37 per cent more expected to increase rather than reduce their spending on research and development.

However, despite these positive signs, companies still said they expected capital spending would not rise significantly in 1993 and most non-manufacturers predicted a fall from 1992 levels.

Waigel censures Attali



Attali admonished: The European Bank chief bows to pressure on spending

BY COLIN NARBROUGH AND TOM WALKER

THE European Bank for Reconstruction and Development is to mend its ways.

It has yielded to pressure from donor governments angered by allegations of excessive spending on its headquarters and staff. The bank has agreed to tighten financial controls and to provide better insight into how its money is used.

Word of the board's decision came in a statement yesterday from Theo Waigel, the German finance minister and EBRD chairman, after he had personally admonished Jacques Attali, the bank's high-profile president, over the damage done to the London-based institution's image and over its lack of cost-consciousness.

Henning Christophersen, the EC finance commissioner, condemned EBRD spending in the European Parliament in Strasbourg. Officials said there was mounting pressure in Brussels for changes in senior personnel at the bank. John Tomlinson, the British Labour MEP, said he fully expected calls for the resignation of M Attali at the EBRD's annual meeting, which begins on Friday.

In a 90-minute meeting in Bonn, Herr Waigel told M Attali that it was necessary for the EBRD to pursue a "cost-conscious expenditure policy" with "greater transparency in the planning and implementation of spending".

Herr Waigel revealed that M Attali and his 23-strong board of directors had on Monday agreed to important steps to improve transparency, the control functions of the directors and to initiate a review of spending by the bank's audit committee, "where necessary, bringing in external auditors".

Although Herr Waigel sought to dismiss some of the criticism of the EBRD as unwarranted, saying the two-year-old institution had achieved a great deal, he made clear that a final verdict could only be reached after the reports from the audit committee. Last week, Herr Waigel warned M Attali that heads would have to roll, if the allegations of unjustified expenditure were substantiated.

Abbey home lending rises 60%

BY LINDSAY COOK, MONEY EDITOR

DEMAND for home loans increased dramatically in the first quarter of the year, according to the Abbey National, the second largest mortgage lender. However, the former building society achieved this improvement at the expense of other lenders through an aggressive marketing campaign.

Sir Christopher Tugbendhat, Abbey's chairman, announced at the annual meeting yesterday that mortgage approvals were up 60 per cent in the first three months of 1993, compared with the same period last year. "The signs, therefore, are that we are experiencing a return to higher levels of activity. Economic fundamentals, such as house prices relative to earnings, mean that home ownership has rarely been more affordable," he said.

The Abbey said it was "cautiously optimistic" that the recovery was gathering momentum. In March, mortgage applications had doubled those for the same month last year. Abbey also reported that its short-term arrears were improving and that sales of repossessed properties had risen.

Meanwhile the Alliance & Leicester Building Society yesterday reported that it expects 1.7 million homeowners will move during the next year. This compares with 1.1 million last year. The fourth largest society comes to this conclusion after carrying out research showing that nearly seven million homeowners want to move on. The society believes about a quarter of these will now try to do so. Peter White, chief executive, said: "It is like a dam waiting to burst."

He added: "Our research shows that, in most regions of the country, far more people believe that house prices will go up than down, but the position is not quite so clear about the future direction of house prices in London and the Midlands."

Taking a shuttle down the drain



GRAHAM SEARJEANT

Within 15 months, thousands of people and, more important, thousands of tons of freight, should be shuttling to and from the Continent without leaving the ground. The Channel tunnel should justify all the claims of engineering triumph, managerial effort and historic political symbolism that will be heaped upon it. Britain and France will gain an immensely valuable economic asset.

Sadly, there will also be another side to the story, revolving round the financial and contractual arrangements set up to build it. Building companies will likely be brought near bankruptcy and investors in Eurotunnel will nurse losses running into billions. The project is unlikely ever to earn an economic return. The legacy will be so bitter that, as long as people remember, no project will be attempted in the same way again.

Broadly, the funds needed to finance the project will have doubled to about £10 billion since the seemingly conservative 1987 prospectus, which enticed more than 600,000 of us to invest in the project. Even that does not allow fully for all the disputed claims of contractors and suppliers, which might add, say, £700 million. There is no outstanding external reason for this. The engineers did not miscalculate, let the sea in or discover an unknown seam of granite in the middle. Inflation was not markedly worse than anticipated. Nor was the project crippled by strikes or catastrophic accidents.

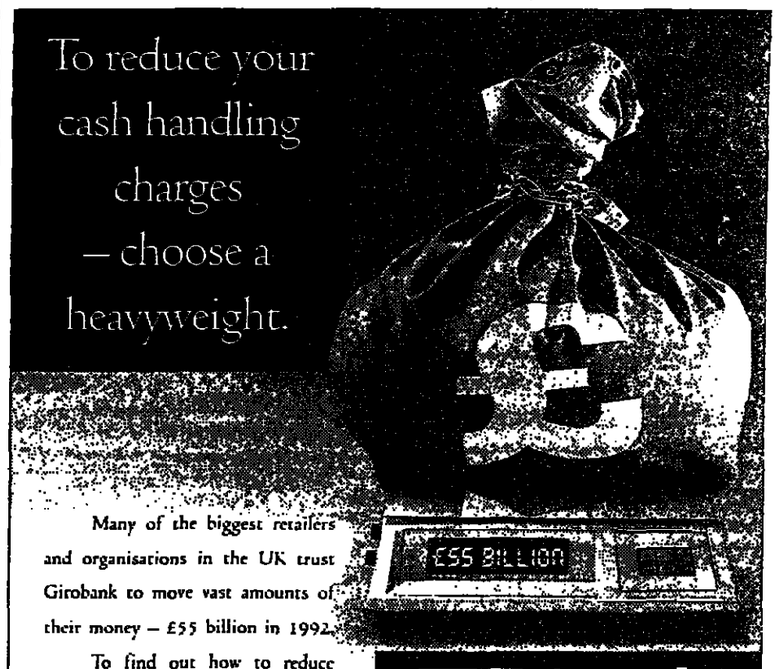
The money just slipped away: an overrun here, a change of specification or an upgrading of safety there and high interest rates at a bad time. That is not so much down to incompetence, though there was plenty of that in the early years, as to a fundamental flaw in the way the project was set up. It was promoted back in 1985 by two consortiums of British and French construction groups and banks. The builders then retreated into a turnkey contracting consortium, TML. They and the banks set up Eurotunnel as their captive customer to own the 50 year concession. Although the contract seemed watertight, with more than half at a fixed price, the interests of the three sides diverged from the start. For TML, Eurotunnel was a proxy for a public sector customer, there to be soaked. As any householder will testify, a crafty builder can always find some change to undo a fixed price deal. Eurotunnel proved a mug customer, failing to think through pitfalls and bright ideas in advance.

As Eurotunnel's joint chairmen noted this week, the final phase of the project "is burdened with a variety of difficulties stemming from its creation as a private sector enterprise". Eurotunnel is being held to ransom by suppliers, operating like the famous laggers, who demanded extortionate payments in the seventies because they could delay completion of power stations indefinitely. Bankers, though effectively in control, are desperate to persuade the public to shore up their dodgy loans.

Shareholders had to put in an extra £600 million in 1990, and may be asked for about £800 million more by the end of the piece. The £1.6 billion of equity so far invested still has a market value of £1.2 billion, but that owes much to sentiment. On projections made by Warburg Securities when it promoted the 1987 share issue, adjusted for the overruns, it would probably be worthless. The tunnel will not be worth its cost. If Eurotunnel loses its fights with contractors and governments, it would likely have such a big negative value that more money from shareholders would mainly go down the drain.

No wonder Sir Alastair Morton, Eurotunnel's chief executive, is fighting so aggressively for his shareholders. Unless he wins, they should cut their losses, call in receivers and leave the banks and TML to fight over the mess. Healthy as this would be, it will probably not happen. The French will not allow it. British investors want their free trips and so many different assumptions can be made about future revenues, interest and discount rates that there can always be hope for those who want it.

Investors will, however, not fall for such a trick twice, drastically reducing the risk finance available any future privately-financed infrastructure projects. No doubt the contractors will complain bitterly.



All sides agree to boost pay linked to profit

By Philip Bassett, Industrial Editor

THE government, employers and trade unions came together yesterday in a rare public display of unity to launch an initiative aimed at increasing the number of employees covered by profit-related pay and share schemes.

The move — prompted by the number of employees covered by the government's profit-related pay (PRP) tax relief scheme passing one million — is the first time that ministers, business and union leaders have publicly joined forces since the government last year scrapped the tripartite National Economic Development Council.

Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, said that PRP coverage passing the one million threshold — first disclosed last month in *The Times* — meant that one in five employees in Britain are now covered by profit-based schemes that in a variety of ways relate their pay to their employing company's financial performance.

The Inland Revenue said the number of employees covered by registered PRP schemes rose in the three months to end March by almost 20 per cent to 1,167,400, with the number of PRP schemes up 11 per cent to 4,615. PRP was introduced in the 1988 Budget by Mr Lamont's predecessor, the now-Lord Lawson. Under it, part of an employee's pay changes in line with changes in the employer's profits.

Though ministers proclaimed the impact PRP could have on pay flexibility and economic performance, PRP coverage was very slow to take off, and even after passing the one million level, is still well below ministers' original private targets. Many employers attacked the scheme as too complicated and cumbersome and not offering significant enough tax advantage. Mr Lamont acknowledged for the first time yesterday he had been "very disappointed" at the slow take-up of PRP.

This prompted him to increase sharply in his 1991 Budget the available tax relief, leading in turn to a marked rise in new PRP schemes and their associated employee coverage. Since then, Mr Lamont said, "the evidence is that these schemes have been a considerable success. We have something of a quiet revolution here". He called for even greater take-up of PRP and other profit-sharing schemes, and was endorsed by both CBI and TUC leaders, unusually sharing a press conference with him at the Treasury.

Dick Price, CBI deputy director-general, said PRP was now being taken up much more widely: "There is some real evidence now that much more flexible wage schemes are resulting, to everyone's advantage — including the taxpayer." Norman Willis, TUC general secretary, said he was "openly enthusiastic" about the launch of the government's initiative.

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JOHN MANNING



Testing, testing: Rolf Schild, of Huntleigh, demonstrates the Dopplex on Jo Kelly

Double success for Huntleigh

By Martin Barrow, City News Editor

HUNTLEIGH Technology, which is celebrating its success in the 1993 Queen's Award for Technological Achievement, announced a 137 per cent surge in pre-tax profits to £5.5 million before tax for the year to end-December, helped by a rise in sales by continuing operations to £28.4 million from £17.8 million.

The company, a manufacturer of specialist medical equipment, such as the Dopplex, a foetal and vascular ultrasonic diagnostic instrument, is lifting the final dividend to 6p a share from an adjusted 2p, making 10p for the year, up from 4.5p last time. Earnings rose to 40.12p a share from 17.35p.

Rolf Schild, chairman, said the company made a good start to 1993. The performance was expected to increase in the second half, when new designs and products will be released into home and export markets. Huntleigh proposes to double production capacity this year. The company has concluded negotiations with Slumberland and is distributing a range of therapeutic mattresses.

The company, which has seen its shares climb sharply over the past two years, is proposing a two-for-one capitalisation issue. The shares rose 95p to £10.70.

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CWS falls into red for first time in 20 years

By Derek Harris

THE Co-operative Wholesale Society (CWS), the co-operative movement's biggest retailer, as well as the main supplier to other co-operative retailers, slid to a pre-tax loss of £400,000 in the year to end January.

This compares with a pre-tax profit the previous year of £7.5 million. It is the first time CWS has dipped into the red for more than 20 years. Trading profits held up at £50.5 million, slightly ahead of the previous year, on turnover which was up 3 per cent at £3,252 million, even though CWS and the 60 other retail co-ops have been under increased pressure from high street competition.

What primarily hit CWS was the rescue of two ailing retail societies — the Greater Nottingham and South Midlands societies. This cost CWS nearly £9 million because of borrowings to straighten out the problems.

Additionally, withdrawal from several non-core businesses resulted in an extraordinary loss of about £4.2 million and there were also some provisions on property. Although profits at the Co-operative Bank, a subsidiary of CWS, brought in £600,000, the CWS still had to take £2.6 million out of reserves to balance its books.

David Skinner, CWS chief executive, said he was encouraged by increased co-operation among the retail co-ops on buying and marketing. A single buying and marketing organisation was recently created by CWS and several large regional societies.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

EIS Group makes £24m cash call for acquisitions

EIS Group, the specialist engineering company, is raising £24.4 million by way of a one-for-five rights issue at 340p a share to give itself the financial flexibility to make further acquisitions. Since the group's last rights issue two years ago, EIS has made seven acquisitions for a total outlay of £17 million, which includes the repayment of certain borrowings. In 1992, EIS bought five companies.

EIS yesterday reported its 22nd year of successive profits and dividend growth, showing pre-tax profits of £15.1 million (£14.2 million) for the year ended December 31. The year's total dividend increases from 11.7p to 12p a share. Turnover was £202.6 million, compared with a restated £189.9 million. Shareholders' funds exceeded £100 million for the first time at balance sheet date. The group reported that profits had held in the first quarter of the 1993 financial year.

Acas in big demand

ACAS had calls from workers every 15 seconds of the working day last year as the recession led to a record number of employment problems, its annual report says. Acas had almost half a million enquiries, a 5 per cent rise on 1991, itself a record year. It dealt with more than 72,000 individual conciliation cases — the highest ever — in which workers complained of infringements of employment rights. Cases involving unfair dismissal claims rose 12 per cent to 44,000.

St Ives up a fraction

ST IVES, the printing group, ended the half year to January 29 with net cash holdings of £13.5 million. Robert Gavron, chairman and 15 per cent family shareholder, says the group is still acquisition minded, but "though there may be green shoots around, the fields of barley are not there yet". Pre-tax profits rose from £10.1 million to £10.5 million on a turnover of £1087.9 million (£109.1 million). The dividend is the same at 1.5p, on net earnings of 7.2p (7.3p). Tempus, page 29

USAir halves losses

USAIR, the American carrier in which British Airways owns just under 20 per cent, almost halved losses from $110 million to $61 million. The results failed to show the benefit of the $300 million invested by BA to cut USAir's debts, as interest payments for the quarter rose marginally to $62.34 million. Before tax and interest payments, USAir returned to the black with a $2 million profit, after a $48.6 million loss last time. Total revenues rose 4 per cent to $1.72 billion.

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Dividend Gth	56.31	59.90	+0.17	4.69
Global Gth Sec	61.25	65.15	-0.07	2.66
Ethical Growth	64.44	68.55	+0.21	2.55
High Inc Equity	147.80	157.20†	-0.40	5.06
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Extra Inc	42.23	45.93†	+0.29	5.49
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High Inc	370.20	395.70†	-2.60	4.16
Equity Inc	208.30	222.60†	+1.00	4.09
High Yield	226.00	243.70†	+1.40	4.20
Balanced	630.80	674.30	+4.00	2.62
American Inc	47.26	50.52	-0.27	3.37
Wld Asset Val	38.36	41.00	-0.18	2.00
Japan	180.90	192.60	-1.80	0.01
Secs of Am	393.10	418.50	-4.40	0.44
AXA EQUITY & LAW				
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UK Growth Acc	308.20	327.90†	+1.20	2.64
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-do- Inc	343.40	365.40†	+1.70	3.53
Gilt/Fxd Int Acc	174.50	184.30†	+0.40	6.06
-do- Inc	91.44	96.57†	+0.13	6.06
Nth America	239.10	254.40†	-3.20	..
Far East	277.90	295.70†	-6.20	0.17
Europe	217.70	231.60†	-0.30	0.83
General Inc	416.20	442.80†	+0.90	2.28
-do- Acc	457.10	486.30†	+0.60	2.28
Brit Excell	62.73	66.74	+0.38	2.57
Brit Fndmtls Inc	65.71	69.91†	+0.53	4.72
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Extra Inc	101.80	108.90†	+0.70	5.43
General	235.80	252.30†	+1.50	3.42
Gilt Fxd Inc	58.01	59.98	-0.11	8.64
Income	471.20	504.00	+3.70	4.94
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American Gth	86.78	92.11	-2.14	0.10
Amer Smllr Cos	109.10	117.20	-2.60	..
Convertibles	51.88	55.48†	+0.09	6.90
Eastern	173.90	186.90	-2.60	1.60
Equity Income	81.10	86.27	+0.39	6.20
European Gth	228.50	243.10	-0.50	1.50
Euro Smllr Cos	150.20	160.40	-1.20	1.90
Exempt	81.47	83.64	...	3.60
German Growth	55.81	59.54	-0.17	0.70
Global Growth	105.40	112.30	-1.40	..
Japan Growth	186.40	199.70	-3.60	..
Japan Sunrise	156.70	169.80	-2.60	..
Portfolio	114.90	122.90	...	3.20
-do- Acc	204.70	219.10	...	3.20
UK Growth	77.48	82.42	+0.56	2.90
UK Smaller Cos	80.01	85.57†	+0.26	1.90
Select Managers	61.70	66.13†	-0.05	2.00
BRITANNIA LIFE UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
190 West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA 041 332 3132				
Balan Gth Acc	102.50	109.63	+0.11	1.87
-do- Inc	93.18	99.66†	+0.10	1.87
Global Bond	29.00	30.76	-0.36	5.03
High Yield Acc	52.14	55.76	-0.44	4.43
-do- Inc	37.84	40.47†	-0.32	4.43
Smlr Cos Acc	85.04	90.95	-2.02	1.35
-do- Inc	79.65	85.12	-1.87	1.35
Amer Gth Acc	56.97	60.93	-1.38	..
-do- Inc	55.91	59.79	-1.36	..
Euro Gth Acc	98.39	105.22	+0.25	1.07
-do- Inc	97.03	103.79†	+0.24	1.07
Mngd P folio	34.05	36.42†	-0.31	1.40
Pacific Growth	95.07	101.64	-1.31	0.58
Intl Spec Opps	86.14	92.13	-0.91	0.67
BROWN SHIPLEY				
9/17 Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458144				
Financial	119.70	127.40	-0.50	3.29
Smaller Cos Acc	274.90	294.30	-0.60	...
Smaller Cos Inc	159.90	171.00†	-0.30	1.27
High Inc	69.69	74.91†	-0.19	7.00
Income	124.00	132.70†	+1.30	4.14
Mngd P folio Inc	91.54	97.49	-0.04	2.04
-do- Acc	173.00	184.20	-0.10	..
North American	99.64	106.10	-1.70	0.20
Orient	115.70	124.90	-1.60	...
Recovery	37.02	39.80	+0.07	2.81
German	42.25	45.37	-0.20	0.09
Intl Growth	32.28	34.37	-0.23	0.23
European Inc	22.35	24.06	-0.04	0.47
BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT				
Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London EC3A 7JJ. 071 247 4542 Dealing: 071 247 7474				
Fellowship Tst	61.57	65.82†	-0.28	1.17
-do- Acc	69.74	74.20	-0.32	1.17
Income Fund 5	209.40	222.60	+1.00	4.10
-do- Acc	487.20	518.50†	+2.30	4.10
Ins Portfolio	65.31	69.72	+0.09	2.09
-do- Acc	74.98	77.60	+0.10	2.08
Smaller Cos	121.70	129.50	..	1.93
-do- Acc	146.10	155.50	..	1.93
High Inc P folio	59.62	61.78	-0.29	4.75
BURRAGE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
117 Fenchurch St, London EC3M 5AL 071 488 7216				
Sml Gth Fxd Int	65.67	66.57†	-0.17	6.04
CIS UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
PO Box 105, Manchester M60 0AH 061 837 5060				
Environ	132.70	141.20	+0.90	1.73
UK Growth	144.20	153.60	+0.40	2.09
UK Income	120.20	127.90†	+0.40	4.27
CANNON FUND MANAGERS				
1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NB 081 902 8876				
SE Asia	52.19	55.77†	-1.73	1.09
Growth	43.80	46.91	+0.19	3.05
Income	52.62	56.28	+0.32	4.32
Far East	45.96	49.15†	-1.06	0.16
North American	75.94	81.44†	-2.14	0.01
Global	79.57	85.10†	-1.03	0.78
European	68.58	73.35†	+0.10	1.71
Japan	105.90	113.30	-1.90	0.01
Intl Currency Bd	57.50	60.96†	-0.51	5.26
UK Cap Gwth	76.31	81.61†	-0.05	2.19
CAPEL-CURE MYERS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF Enquiries: 061 236 5685 Dealing: 061 236 5362				
Capability Trusts				
American Gen	123.20	131.10†	-2.60	0.15
-do- Acc	130.90	139.30	-2.90	0.15
European	65.84	69.77	-0.18	1.03
-do- Acc	68.24	72.32	-0.18	1.03
Far East Gen	61.21	65.12†	-1.26	...
-do- Acc	61.21	65.12	-1.26	...
Glenfriars	240.60	256.00†	-1.50	0.96
-do- Acc	270.80	288.10	-1.80	0.96
Growth	371.90	397.80	+2.20	2.66
-do- Acc	636.70	681.00	+3.80	2.66
Income Growth	371.40	395.20	+1.30	4.06
-do- Acc	493.90	525.50	+1.80	4.06
Master Portfolio	9260.0	9584.0†	-5.00	2.77
-do- Acc	10745.0	11121.0	-6.00	2.77
Special Sits	84.59	89.99	-0.40	2.57
-do- Acc	98.98	105.30	-0.47	2.57
Exempt Fund				
High Yield	1198.0	1236.0	+4.00	4.52
-do- Acc	1388.0	1431.0	+5.00	4.52
CAPEL (JAMES) UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
7 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4HU 071 955 5050. Dealing: 071 955 5055				
American Index	185.10	197.20	-3.30	1.68
Capital	523.70	558.90†	+2.50	2.38
Eurotrack 100	127.40	135.60	-0.70	1.53
Euro Gth	79.37	84.51	-0.48	1.37
Far East Growth	86.20	91.99	-1.40	0.14
Global Bond	23.13	24.37	-0.13	5.87
Hong Kong	72.33	77.19†	-1.59	0.58
Income	493.20	526.30†	+2.90	4.58
Intl Growth	71.95	76.78	-0.73	0.99
Japan Growth	252.90	269.80	-2.40	...
Japan Smllr Cos	31.49	33.60	-0.31	...
Japan Index	73.64	78.59	-1.05	0.25
Nth American	404.90	432.10†	+4.90	1.00
S pore Mly Gth	49.57	52.90	-0.32	...
The Pacific Fd	106.70	112.60	-0.30	2.61
Tiger Index	131.80	140.60	-2.30	0.71
Trixie Index	101.40	108.20	-0.30	2.65
UK Index	121.50	129.60	+0.40	3.00
CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
3 Copthall Avenue, London EC2R 7BH 071 606 0708				
American P folio	81.17	86.69	-0.36	1.00
European P folio	71.40	75.99†	-0.70	1.38
Japanese P folio	61.10	64.84	-1.01	...
Pacific P folio	94.06	101.08	-1.02	2.43
Cazenove P folio	69.10	73.91	+0.41	3.00
UK Income Gth	61.47	66.00†	+0.57	5.00
Utility & Bond	49.90	50.54	+0.23	7.00
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND				
2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 071 588 1815				
Investment Fd	605.20	612.50	...	4.72
Fixed Int	155.75	156.30	...	9.28
Deposit	5.75	...	5.88	..
CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND				
2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 071 588 1815				
Income	590.99	597.49	...	5.00
-do- Acc	2331.6	2337.6	...	...
Deposit	5.70	...	5.82	..
Fxd Int Inc	127.00	127.01	...	9.13
-do- Acc	167.75	167.79	...	...
CITY FINANCIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge, SE1 071 407 5966				
City Fin Assets	61.72	64.97†	..	2.32
Beckman Intl	80.68	85.14†	..	3.11
Friars Hse Inc	177.62	190.99	..	6.10
Friars Hse Cap	246.36	264.90	..	2.75
COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS				
Exchange Court, 3 Bedford Park, Croydon CR0 2AQ. Enquiries: 081 681 2222 Dealing: 081 686 9818				
Japan Gth Acc	39.93	42.68	-0.92	..
Managed	61.35	65.26	-0.22	2.74
-do- Acc	74.09	78.82	-0.26	2.74
Smaller Cos	33.50	35.64	-0.75	1.91
-do- Acc	37.74	40.15	-0.84	1.91
UK General	67.70	72.02	+0.18	2.44
-do- Acc	81.17	86.35	+0.22	2.44
Wrlde Bd	62.15	66.03†	-0.47	6.10
-do- Acc	79.94	84.93	-0.60	6.10
Wrlde Sp Sits	55.21	59.05	-0.70	0.18
-do- Acc	57.52	61.52	-0.73	0.18
Quilter General	119.09	126.69†	+0.56	2.47
-do- Acc	132.32	140.77	+0.62	2.47
Quilter Income	92.42	98.32†	+0.45	3.85
-do- Acc	113.91	121.18	+0.55	3.85
Quilter Intl	..	..	..	..
-do- Acc	..	..	..	..
Quilter UK Spec	68.50	72.87	+0.50	1.87
-do- Acc	90.61	96.39	+0.66	1.87
CU Prestige Fund Management				
Deposit	91.67	91.67†	+0.02	5.50
-do- Acc	91.67	91.67†	+0.02	5.50
Fin Property	105.92	112.68	+0.14	1.42
Fixed Conv	40.95	43.57	-0.14	7.36
-do- Acc	107.00	113.83	-0.37	7.36
Equity Inc	143.47	152.63	+0.38	3.49
-do- Acc	460.52	489.91	+1.21	3.49
High Yield	117.42	124.91†	+0.34	4.63
-do- Acc	443.40	471.70	+1.28	4.63
Preference	46.92	49.92†	...	7.35
-do- Acc	240.92	256.30	+0.01	7.35
PPT Europe	150.23	159.82†	-0.50	0.92
PPT Mthly Inc Plus	47.34	50.36†	-0.05	7.98
PPT Global Bnd	51.60	54.90†	-0.63	5.78
PPT Gold Com	50.76	54.00†	-0.36	..
PPT Oriental Gth	54.80	58.30†	-1.56	0.54
PPT Far East Gth	101.98	108.49†	-2.16	0.28
PPT Japan	112.56	119.74†	-2.50	...
PPT N Amer	144.73	153.97†	-2.78	0.08
PPT UK Gth	114.56	121.87	+0.26	1.91
EAGLE STAR UNIT MANAGERS				
Bath Road, Cheltenham GL53 7LQ 0242 577555				
Oriental Op Acc	75.21	80.12	-1.32	0.99
Japanese Acc	58.47	62.20	-1.03	..
UK Balncd Acc	124.40	132.30	+0.50	2.54
-do- Acc	145.10	154.40	+0.50	2.54
UK Growth Acc	204.10	217.10	+1.00	2.22
UK High Inc	132.80	141.30	+0.60	6.72
-do- Acc	156.90	166.90	+0.80	6.72
N America Acc	107.10	113.90	-2.10	0.34
European Acc	152.50	162.30	+0.40	0.43
UK Pref F/I Inc	60.11	63.78	..	8.80
-do- Acc	97.02	102.90	..	8.86
Intl Sp Sits Acc	46.43	49.39	-0.80	0.23
Environmntl Opp	70.83	75.35†	+0.35	1.47
EDINBURGH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Donaldson House, 97 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh EH12 5HD. 031 313 1000				
American	108.50	115.30	-2.10	..
UK Smlr Cos	186.80	198.50	+0.80	1.26
Eurofund	37.50	39.66	-0.18	1.01
Mngd Exempt	161.40	170.30†	-1.20	3.48
Growth Inc	209.40	222.50	+1.00	4.04
High Dist	137.00	145.60	+0.60	5.04
International	314.30	333.80	-1.00	0.97
Intl Income	79.19	84.52†	-0.62	3.08
Pacific	55.88	59.37	-0.84	0.51
Smllr Jap Cos	64.35	68.37	-0.78	...
Tokyo	191.90	203.90	-3.40	...
Japan Exempt	110.50	113.50	-1.90	0.44
Sm Jap Exempt	532.40	547.00	-15.50	0.09
Formerly Target				
American Eagle	118.70	126.10	-2.10	0.23
Australia	7.009	7.447†	-0.072	1.08
Equity	182.80	194.20	+0.60	4.39
Euro Spec Sits	141.20	149.50	-0.60	0.57
Financial	39.36	41.82	-0.06	2.90
Global Opps Inc	86.68	92.07	-0.88	2.19
-do- Acc	89.81	95.42	-0.93	2.19
Gold Gen Inc	41.44	44.03†	-0.37	0.98
-do- Acc	79.07	84.01†	-0.70	0.98
Income	118.70	126.10	+0.30	4.89
Japan General	147.40	156.60	-3.10	...
Preference	21.25	22.58†	+0.02	8.04
UK Capital	101.50	107.80	+0.40	3.13
Worldwide Cap	192.60	204.60	-0.70	3.15
World Income	82.14	87.27	-0.40	3.48
ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT				
41 Harrington Gardens, London SW7 4JU 071 373 7261				
Endurance	169.90	180.70	...	1.11
EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
Walton St, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 7QW 0296 431480				
Pelican	102.85	108.26†	+0.73	3.42
High Income	119.45	125.74	+0.76	4.92
Tst of Inv Tsts	140.53	147.93	+0.17	2.18
Special Sits	83.22	87.60	+0.42	2.97
North American	100.91	106.22	-0.89	0.96
Far Eastern	228.82	240.86	-1.09	1.45
Intl Growth	90.79	95.57†	-0.14	1.41
European	63.07	66.39	-0.42	2.21
Smaller Cos	69.13	72.77	+0.04	2.20
FAMILY INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD				
16 West Street, Brighton, BN1 2RE 0273 220 787				
United Charities	218.10	231.90†	...	3.47
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD				
Oakhill House, 130 Tonbridge Rd, Tonbridge TN11 9DZ. 0800 414161				
Cash Unit Tst	100.00	100.00	...	5.50
European Tst	114.70	122.00	+0.20	...
High Income	24.69	25.98†	+0.11	5.78
FOREIGN & COLONIAL				
8th Floor, Exchange Hse, Primrose St, London EC2A 2NY. 071 628 8000				
European	91.93	97.33	-0.33	0.88
Far Eastern	130.50	139.60	-2.40	...
Overs Income	86.97	93.39	-1.24	2.82
UK Growth	90.98	97.30	+0.10	1.34
UK Income	100.30	107.30	+0.30	3.88
US Smaller Cos	230.80	246.80	-3.80	...
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT				
155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3FT 071 374 4100				
Am Smllr Co	394.10	421.40	-7.70	...
-do- Acc	402.60	430.50	-7.90	...
Capital	279.70	297.50	+0.20	1.95
-do- Acc	389.60	414.40	+0.50	1.95
Convl Smllr Cos	47.28	50.85	-0.03	0.96
-do- Acc	48.92	52.61	-0.04	0.96
Convertible	109.70	116.60	+0.30	6.68
-do- Acc	203.10	216.00	+0.60	6.68
European	96.39	103.00	-0.30	0.95
-do- Acc	99.60	106.40	-0.30	0.95
Extra Income	285.30	303.40	+1.10	4.10
-do- Acc	399.50	424.90	+1.70	4.10
Financial	102.50	110.10†	-1.40	0.67
-do- Acc	107.40	115.40†	-1.50	0.67
Health Fund Inc	100.60	107.40	-0.60	...
-do- Acc	100.60	107.40	-0.60	...
Income Tst	176.50	187.70	+0.90	3.70
-do- Acc	246.00	261.60	+1.10	3.70
Intl Growth	295.10	315.20	-4.20	...
-do- Acc	327.70	350.00	-4.70	...
Japan Gen	165.10	176.40	-2.80	...
-do- Acc	166.80	178.20	-2.80	...
Mngd P folio Inc	88.07	92.70	-0.15	1.04
-do- Acc	92.32	97.17	-0.17	1.04
Monthly Income	144.80	154.00	+0.70	4.21
Recovery	278.00	297.20	-2.00	0.73
-do- Acc	325.60	348.10	-2.30	0.73
Gilt Gth Tst	60.17	62.05	+0.10	6.50
-do- Acc	77.71	80.13	+0.13	6.50
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS				
Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts, SP1 3SH Dealing: 0722 411411 Administration: 0722 411622				
Equity Dist	343.96	365.91	+1.68	2.87
-do- Acc	694.48	738.81	+3.39	2.87
Euro Gth Dist	105.04	111.74	+0.48	0.77
-do- Acc	108.16	115.08	+0.50	0.77
Fixed Int Dist	129.67	137.16†	+0.72	6.39
-do- Acc	217.84	230.42	+1.20	6.38
Intl Gth Dist	74.75	79.52	-0.70	0.79
-do- Acc	77.52	82.26	-0.72	0.79
Nth Amer Dist	162.01	171.64	-3.72	0.83
-do- Acc	175.70	186.14	-4.03	0.83
Pac Basin Dist	232.64	247.49	-3.71	0.29
-do- Acc	236.32	251.40	-3.76	0.29
Stewardship Dist	293.55	312.29	+0.94	1.94
-do- Acc	347.29	369.46	+1.10	1.94
Stwd Inc Dist	61.64	65.57	+0.21	3.55
-do- Acc	75.91	80.33	+0.25	3.55
N Am Stwd Dist	93.04	97.91	-1.91	..
-do- Acc	97.36	103.57	-2.02	...
GT UNIT MANAGERS				
8th Floor, 8 Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ. 071 220 4567. Dealing: 071 626 9431				
Am Sp Sits	131.50	140.70†	-0.20	..
European	395.30	419.70†	-0.70	1.01
Far East General	211.50	226.10	-1.00	0.32
Germany	98.89	104.60	-0.10	0.43
Global Assets In	65.44	70.35	-0.15	2.30
Global Assets Ac	68.96	73.72	-0.15	2.27
Income Inc	114.30	122.37†	-0.50	7.19
International	255.60	273.10†	-1.00	1.02
Intl Income	77.03	81.86	-0.32	4.87
Japan General	351.10	373.60†	-7.20	..
Smllr Cos Div	45.35	48.51	+0.23	6.26
UK Capital Inc	155.90	166.70	+1.00	4.00
-do- Acc	266.50	285.10	+1.70	3.93
Uk Spec Sits	71.37	76.34	-0.10	1.67
US General	110.50	117.60	-1.60	0.11
W wide Spec Sits	111.90	119.70	-0.50	0.11
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS				
Gartmore House, 16/18 Monument Street, London EC3R 8AJ. 071 623 1212 Dealing: 0277 264421. Services: 0800 289 336				
UK Growth Funds				
British Growth	43.17	46.17	-0.29	1.67
Cash Trust	128.19	128.19	+0.02	5.00
Pract Inv Inc	100.75	107.55	+0.02	3.99
-do- Acc	215.39	230.39	+0.07	3.99
UK Smaller Cos	97.31	104.35	+0.54	1.22
Income Funds				
Preference Share	25.07	28.81†	+0.07	7.91
High Inc	31.06	33.22	+0.09	5.03
UK Equity Inc	125.89	135.71	-0.22	3.92
Global Bond	29.98	30.67	-0.28	5.76
International Funds				
Gold Intl	67.96	72.77	-0.14	1.36
Frontier Markets	39.28	42.12†	-1.32	0.43
Global Inc Gth	116.00	123.76†	-1.19	2.22
UK Intl	110.43	115.11	-1.99	0.56
Overseas Funds				
American	123.50	131.57	-2.68	0.49
European	80.57	85.42	-0.21	0.69
Euro Sel Opps	92.83	98.87	-0.10	0.84
American Emerg	74.12	79.49	-0.51	..
Hong Kong	105.05	112.65	-2.01	2.09
Japan	206.93	220.15	-4.97	...
Pacific Growth	143.99	154.31	-2.30	0.45
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT				
Shackleton House, 4 Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 2HR. 071 378 7979 Dealing: 071 588 0526				
Intl Growth	122.16	130.65	-1.32	0.37
American Gth	114.64	122.61	-2.08	...
European Gth	67.44	72.07	-0.29	0.42
German Horizon	....	....	..	...
Japan Gth	73.94	79.08	-1.29	...
Pacific Inc	132.04	141.22	-0.34	2.85
Pacific Strategy	110.37	118.04	-0.34	0.25
UK Prog Inc	73.95	77.89	+0.97	4.61
Gt British Cos	48.15	50.73	+0.08	2.70
UK Small Cos	44.27	47.34	+1.20	2.12
GRE UNIT MANAGERS				
36 Harbour Exchange Sq, London E14 9GE 071 538 9668				
Cash	130.70	130.70†	...	4.85
Gilt Fixed	119.00	126.30	+0.30	6.52
Growth Equity	282.90	302.20	+1.60	2.10
Guardhill	416.60	445.00	+1.80	2.36
Income Trust	108.00	115.30	+0.90	3.40
International	152.30	162.70†	-2.00	0.36
Japan Trust	118.30	126.30	-2.50	...
Nth American	244.50	261.20†	-5.30	0.47
Pacific	359.00	383.50†	-5.70	...
European	338.00	361.10	+2.20	0.57
HALIFAX STANDARD TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
PO Box 600, Edinburgh EH15 1EW 0800 838868				
Global Adv Inc	34.32	36.38	...	1.84
-do- Acc	35.92	38.08	...	1.84
Inc Adv Inc	29.03	30.78†	+0.10	4.28
-do- Acc	30.17	31.99	+0.10	4.28
HAMBROS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227300 Dealing: 0277 690390				
Canadian	70.93	75.98	-0.41	0.96
Equity Income	112.20	119.40	+0.40	3.55
European	131.20	138.80†	-0.20	0.87
Intl Situation	72.88	77.53	-0.65	...
Japanese	137.10	145.50	-2.70	...
North American	95.13	100.90	-2.20	0.06
Scandinavian	105.70	111.80	+1.00	0.46
Smaller Cos	28.60	30.43	-0.06	2.30
HENDERSON				
PO Box 2157, Kings House, 101-135 Kings Road, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4ET Enq: 0277 263290 Dealing: 0277 234772				
Amer Smaller	84.25	90.10†	-1.71	...
Asian Enterprise	119.88	129.44	-2.10	0.99
Australian	132.68	141.83†	-1.21	1.54
European	362.94	384.22†	-0.97	1.12
European Inc	69.06	73.05	-0.10	3.43
Euro Sml Co	120.92	128.86	-0.66	1.14
Extra Income	253.30	269.65†	+0.57	5.05
Family of Funds	68.20	72.80	-0.26	1.33
Fixed Interest	54.93	58.74†	-0.10	8.86
Global Resour	88.22	94.70	-0.82	1.19
High Inc	277.05	296.16†	+0.86	4.80
Income Gth	233.10	248.24	+0.78	4.10
-do- Acc	586.58	624.70	+1.95	4.10
International	222.02	236.39†	-2.64	1.00
Japan Spc Sit	221.62	235.68	-4.57	...
Japan	190.66	202.59	-4.41	...
N Amer	212.66	226.11	-5.44	0.17
Pacific Smllr Cos	169.31	182.16†	-2.16	0.62
Pref Gilt	45.62	49.57†	+0.09	8.65
Smaller Cos Div	156.94	171.06	+0.51	4.82
Special Sits	249.76	267.23†	+0.19	2.19
-do- Acc	384.85	411.78†	+0.30	2.19
Best of British	54.50	58.43	-0.11	2.71
Spirit of the East	56.81	60.70†	-1.01	0.51
HILL SAMUEL UT MANAGERS				
NLA Tower Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081 686 4355				
British	87.45	93.52	+0.89	2.32
Capital	152.50	163.10	-0.20	1.98
Dollar	294.80	315.20	-6.80	0.17
European	192.40	205.70	+0.50	0.54
Far East	225.10	240.70	+0.30	0.63
Financial	661.10	707.00†	+2.30	2.51
Gilt Fxd Int Inc	25.32	26.30	-0.06	8.15
High Yield	98.18	105.00	+0.30	4.97
Income	130.00	142.20	+0.10	3.48
Intl	208.10	222.50	-1.50	0.36
Japan Tech	66.11	70.70	-1.53	..
Nat Resources	54.86	58.67	-0.35	0.80
Security	289.50	309.60†	+0.90	2.13
Smaller Cos	106.70	114.10†	-2.60	1.59
Special Sits	133.10	142.30†	+0.90	2.09
US Smaller Cos	57.23	61.20	-1.33	..
IBI FUND MANAGERS				
36 Queen St, London, EC4R 1BN 071 489 8673				
Brit O seas	238.80	251.40	-3.60	1.45
Capital Gwth	99.34	104.60	-1.00	2.53
Inv Trusts	124.30	130.80	..	0.72
INVESCO MIM UT MANAGERS				
11 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4YR 071 626 3434. Dealing: 0800 010733				
UK Specialist Trusts				
Smaller Cos	22.94	25.16	+0.06	1.66
Special Features	26.29	27.93†	+0.17	1.46
-do- Acc	31.09	33.03†	+0.21	1.45
General Funds				
UK Growth	51.91	55.60	+0.19	1.93
Assets Earnings	69.57	73.91	+0.35	1.85
do Acc	81.75	86.85	+0.40	1.85
Managed Invest	83.70	89.45	-0.65	1.22
Rupert Children	74.54	79.54†	+0.27	1.66
High Income Funds				
Cashbox	50.40	50.40†	+0.01	4.50
Extra Inc	77.45	82.93	+0.25	4.56
Gilt	27.77	29.23	-0.02	6.61
Income Gth	37.81	40.44†	+0.15	3.56
MIMstar	74.58	76.32†	-0.12	7.95
Preference	17.65	19.33	+0.02	6.18
UK Income	300.10	320.80†	+0.40	3.09
Sector Specialist Funds				
Finci Sec	55.41	58.87	-0.09	1.30
Property Shares	58.44	62.09†	-1.24	2.16
Exempt Funds				
Exempt	141.20	148.40	-0.40	3.55
European Acc	104.70	115.20	-0.50	1.74
European Dist	103.50	109.60	-0.50	1.76
Overseas Growth Funds				
American Gth	47.69	50.73†	-0.74	1.01
European Perf	106.40	112.90	-0.30	1.07
-do- Acc	108.40	115.00	-0.30	1.07
Euro Small Cos	20.70	22.05	-0.02	0.73
French Growth	66.77	71.06	-0.65	0.41
-do- Acc	71.33	75.91	-0.70	0.40
Hong K/China	64.41	69.13	-1.72	1.78
Intl Growth	49.34	52.42	-0.58	0.76
-do- Acc	49.34	52.42	-0.58	0.76
Japan Perf	32.73	34.76	-0.75	..
Accum Units	32.73	34.76	-0.75	...
Japan Smllr Cos	34.19	36.35	-0.60	...
Singapore Asean	71.99	78.13	-0.66	0.42
-do- Acc	72.34	78.62	-0.65	0.42
South East Asia	210.80	227.30†	-2.60	1.07
US Smllr Cos	99.96	106.10	-1.40	...
-do- Acc	101.00	107.30	-1.30	..
Overseas Income Funds				
Global Inc	81.76	87.10	-0.98	2.55
Intl Bond	56.19	56.93	-0.31	6.31
KLEINWORT BENSON UNIT TRUST LTD				
10 Fenchurch Street, London EC3 071 956 6600. Dealing: 071 956 7354				
Income Trusts				
Cash Acc*	69.13	69.47†	+0.01	5.02
Extra Income	50.62	53.89	+0.21	6.80
Gilt Yield	118.10	124.50†	+0.10	7.40
Global Income	195.00	207.40	-1.00	4.22
High Yield	129.50	137.80†	+0.90	6.00
Smllr Cos Div	43.94	46.74	+0.06	4.66
Capital Growth Trusts				
Amer Smllr Cos	87.16	92.72	-1.43	..
North American	72.51	77.14	-1.85	0.41
European	127.40	135.50	-0.60	0.86
Euro Special	76.96	81.87	-0.34	0.94
General	258.90	275.40	+0.90	3.24
Japan	390.90	415.90	-4.40	...
Japanese Special	208.70	222.00†	-1.80	...
Master Acc	211.80	225.30	+1.90	1.37
Pacific	250.30	266.30†	-4.00	0.60
Smaller Cos	96.91	103.10	+0.30	2.04
UK Equity Gth	34.68	36.89	-0.42	1.76
LAS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
113 Dundas St, Edinburgh EH3 5EB 031 550 5151				
European	73.16	77.53	+0.05	0.83
Extra Income	23.46	24.96†	+0.13	3.29
Far East	25.57	27.20†	-0.39	0.98
Income Gwth	70.91	75.44	-0.51	2.93
Intl Growth	50.02	53.21†	-0.42	0.78
Japan	61.57	65.50	-0.88	..
Maximum Dist*	99.22	101.20†	-0.10	6.95
N Amer Equity	37.34	39.62	-0.71	0.51
UK Equity	84.22	89.60†	+0.47	2.96
LAURENCE KEEN UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT				
1 White Hart Yard, London SE1. 071 407 5966				
Income Gth Inc	52.47	55.82	+0.36	4.48
LEGAL & GENERAL UT MANAGERS				
5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood Essex Enq: 0277 227300. Dealing: 0277 690395				
Equity Dist	414.10	440.50	+0.90	2.94
Equity Acc	786.00	836.20	+1.80	2.94
Equity Income	89.54	95.25	+0.02	5.19
European	93.60	99.57	-0.37	1.72
Far Eastern	172.00	183.00	-2.20	0.32
Fixed Interest	50.93	54.18†	+0.03	6.44
Gilt	89.27	94.67†	+0.04	6.50
Global Growth	63.63	67.69	-0.80	0.77
Intl Bond	55.13	58.65	-0.49	4.84
Japanese	65.64	69.83	-1.10	...
Overseas Equity	92.18	98.06	-1.47	0.81
Pacific Gth	81.12	86.30†	-0.66	1.30
LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
Mountbatten Hse, Chatham, Kent ME4 4JF 0634 834313				
Balanced	309.50	329.30	+0.90	2.79
-do- Acc	670.30	713.10	+1.90	2.79
Cond Euro Gth	50.31	52.96	-0.17	1.38
-do- Acc	53.20	56.00	-0.18	1.38
Extra Inc	235.10	250.20	+0.70	3.69
-do- Acc	571.80	608.40	+1.60	3.69
German Gth	101.40	106.80	-0.20	0.19
-do- Acc	106.30	111.90	+0.20	0.19
Growth Port	475.20	505.60	-0.40	1.12
-do- Acc	475.20	505.60	-0.40	1.12
Income	434.30	462.10†	+1.30	3.55
-do- Acc	1114.0	1186.0	+4.00	3.55
Income Port	481.70	512.50	+1.60	5.25
-do- Acc	481.70	512.50	+1.60	5.25
Japan Growth	90.86	96.66	-0.94	0.01
-do- Acc	91.18	97.00	-0.94	0.01
Master Trust	50.40	53.62	-0.10	1.40
-do- Acc	54.82	58.32	-0.11	1.40
N American Gen	170.50	181.40	-4.00	0.01
-do- Acc	196.90	209.50	-4.60	0.01
NAm Sm Co Rec	121.70	129.50	-2.40	0.01
-do- Acc	124.20	132.20	-2.30	0.01
Pacific Basin	196.80	209.40	-0.40	0.57
-do- Acc	208.00	221.30	-0.30	0.57
Small Cos Rec	290.30	305.60	...	2.44
-do- Acc	374.50	394.30	...	2.44
UK Growth	77.00	81.92	+1.60	2.21
-do- Acc	89.78	95.52	+1.87	2.21
Worldwide Gth	265.30	282.30	-3.40	0.32
-do- Acc	391.00	416.00	-4.90	0.32
LONDON & MANCHESTER				
Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 282673				
General	76.25	81.81	+0.28	3.00
Income	57.87	62.09†	...	5.90
International	54.85	58.85	-0.61	0.80
American	56.62	60.75	-1.12	0.40
Japan	50.45	54.13	-0.93	..
Tst of Inv Trusts	53.44	57.34†	-0.04	2.00
M & G SECURITIES LTD				
Victoria Rd, Chelmsford CM1 1FB Customer Services/Unit Dealing: 0245 390390				
American Gen	371.70	392.30	-6.20	0.95
-do- Acc	458.60	484.10	-7.60	0.95
American Rec	394.40	417.10†	-6.30	0.23
-do- Acc	451.90	477.90	-7.20	0.23
Am Sm Co Acc	109.90	116.20	-2.20	0.02
Australia Acc	143.10	151.30	-0.80	1.40
Capital	634.30	670.80	+0.80	2.73
-do- Acc	699.90	740.20	+0.90	2.73
Commodity Acc	401.80	425.00	+0.30	0.87
Compnd Gth	796.10	841.80	+1.30	2.97
Dividend	34.10	36.10	+0.10	4.31
-do- Acc	132.70	140.50	+0.20	4.31
Equity Inc	281.70	297.90	+0.70	5.03
European Div	57.70	61.00	+0.10	4.35
-do- Acc	65.20	69.00	+0.20	4.35
European Gen	377.10	398.80	+1.50	1.66
-do- Acc	471.10	498.20	+1.90	1.66
Extra Yield	359.40	380.10†	+1.20	4.44
-do- Acc	1050.9	1111.5	+3.60	4.44
Far Eastern	274.20	290.00	-3.80	0.97
-do- Acc	360.70	381.50	-5.00	0.97
Fund of Inv	484.30	512.10	+0.60	2.27
-do- Acc	873.90	924.10	+1.10	2.27
General	52.00	55.00	+0.10	3.64
-do- Acc	136.90	145.00	+0.30	3.64
Gilt Fxd Int	61.80	61.80	..	7.80
do Acc	152.60	152.70	..	7.80
Gold	42.10	44.50	+0.10	1.43
-do- Acc	49.30	52.00	+0.10	1.43
High Inc	24.00	25.40	...	4.73
-do- Acc	88.80	94.10	+0.10	4.73
Intl Growth	66.30	70.30	-0.50	0.94
-do- Acc	114.30	121.10	-1.00	0.94
Intl Inc	88.80	93.90†	-0.50	4.72
Japan Gen Acc	47.10	49.80	-0.80	...
Japan Smllr Cos	139.50	147.60	-1.60	...
Midland	50.70	53.60†	+0.20	3.83
-do- Acc	162.20	171.60	+0.70	3.83
Recovery	34.90	37.00	+0.10	2.92
-do- Acc	54.80	58.20	+0.10	2.92
Second Gen	58.70	62.10	-0.20	3.64
-do- Acc	143.50	151.90	+0.50	3.64
Smaller Cos	56.10	59.30	+0.10	3.43
-do- Acc	106.30	112.40	+0.10	3.43
Trustee	37.10	39.20†	+0.20	3.95
Charibond 3	1112.07	...	-0.10	9.62
Charifund 2	617.60	623.80	+1.80	5.25
Pension ex 1	839.70	860.70	+1.80	4.20
NAACIF Inc 3	545.75	...	-0.20	7.83
-do- Acc 3	1075.7	...	+1.20	7.83
MARKS & SPENCER UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
PO Box 410, Chester X, CH99 9QG 0244 680066				
Inv Port Inc	132.70	141.90	-0.28	2.09
-do- Acc	147.30	157.50	-0.28	2.09
UK Income	110.50	118.20	+0.17	2.77
-do- Acc	123.30	131.80	-0.17	2.77
MARTIN CURRIE UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
Saltire Court, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2ES. 031 229 5252				
Emerg Mkts	74.36	79.52	-1.15	0.64
Far East (Pacific)	129.60	137.50	-2.20	0.69
Income Growth	69.76	74.06	+0.17	4.22
European	65.84	69.89	-0.16	1.33
Nth American	55.56	58.98	-1.28	1.12
UK Growth	74.17	78.73	+0.09	1.40
Intl Growth	88.75	94.21†	-1.02	0.59
Charities	107.60	114.30	+0.40	4.08
Intl Income	66.59	70.68†	+0.05	4.53
Japan	50.03	53.11†	-0.93	0.08
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD				
33 King William St, EC4R 9AS. 071 280 2860				
American	182.40	193.50	-2.60	...
-do- Acc	195.00	206.80	-2.70	...
Cash	101.20	101.20	...	5.57
-do- Acc	128.80	128.80	...	5.57
European Gth	189.20	200.50	+0.40	0.79
-do- Acc	202.50	214.70	+0.50	0.79
General	448.20	478.10†	+2.40	2.54
-do- Acc	852.90	909.80†	+4.60	2.54
Global Dist	130.10	136.80†	-0.50	5.34
-do- Acc	145.60	153.00†	-0.60	5.34
Income	134.30	143.30†	+0.80	4.75
-do- Acc	196.50	209.60†	+1.00	4.75
International	370.00	394.20	-3.50	0.71
-do- Acc	490.80	523.00	-4.50	0.71
Japan	170.10	180.30	-2.70	...
-do- Acc	174.60	185.20	-2.70	...
New Europe	131.80	140.60	+0.40	1.85
-do- Acc	133.90	142.90	+0.30	1.85
Recovery	285.80	304.90	+0.80	2.94
-do- Acc	357.00	380.90	+1.00	2.94
European Inc	73.18	77.65	+0.06	3.14
-do- Acc	92.84	98.51	+0.08	3.14
Brit Blue Chip	70.98	75.22†	+0.36	3.35
-do- Acc	83.26	88.71†	+0.42	3.35
Portfolio	71.91	76.46†	+0.13	2.97
-do- Acc	81.77	86.94†	+0.14	2.97
Gold General	79.62	84.93	+1.69	1.10
-do- Acc	80.70	86.09	+1.71	1.10
Pacific	86.07	91.81	-1.00	0.91
-do- Acc	90.98	97.05	-1.07	0.91
UK Smaller Cos	49.45	52.75†	+0.12	2.14
-do- Acc	55.19	58.87†	+0.14	2.14
MIDLAND UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
192 Eyre Street, Sheffield, S1 3RD Dealing: 0742 528 200 Enquiries: 0742 529 076				
Balanced Dist	56.10	60.00†	-0.07	3.33
-do- Acc	56.95	60.91	-0.07	3.33
British Dist	75.42	80.66	+0.92	2.42
-do- Acc	85.37	91.31	+1.03	2.42
European Gth	165.20	176.50	-0.60	0.16
-do- Acc	207.40	221.50	-0.80	0.16
Extra High Inc	66.68	71.32†	+0.13	6.73
-do- Acc	117.30	125.50	+0.20	6.73
FT-SE 100 Index	47.62	50.93	+0.12	2.94
-do- Acc	47.62	50.93	+0.12	2.94
Gilt Fixed Int	55.76	58.05	+0.04	7.09
-do- Acc	146.70	152.70	+0.10	7.09
High Yield	214.10	229.00	+0.50	5.12
-do- Acc	491.30	525.50	+1.10	5.12
Income	271.20	290.10	+0.70	3.84
-do- Acc	563.80	603.00	+1.40	3.84
Japan Gth	321.10	343.40	-5.60	...
-do- Acc	338.90	362.50	-5.80	...
Mandarin Acc	92.71	99.16	-0.94	1.65
North American	158.70	169.70	-2.70	0.53
-do- Acc	199.40	213.30	-3.40	0.53
MORGAN GRENFELL INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD				
20 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 1UT Dealing: 071 826 0826 Enquiries: 071 826 0123				
American Gth	244.50	260.50	-4.30	...
Deposit Inc	100.02	100.02	+0.01	4.74
Deposit Acc	121.97	121.97	+0.01	4.74
Euro Gth Acc	258.60	276.50	+1.50	...
Europa	116.90	125.50	-0.10	...
Intl Gth	162.30	173.20	-2.10	...
Japan Tracker	71.49	75.68	-1.26	...
UK Equity Inc	140.70	151.70†	+1.00	4.33
-do- Acc	172.40	185.90†	+1.20	4.33
UK Ind Tracker	139.00	148.80	+0.50	3.26
US Eq Ind Trkr	183.90	194.90†	-3.50	1.50
-do- Acc	194.50	206.10†	-3.70	1.50
Asian Trader	145.10	157.40†	-2.10	0.50
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT				
7 West Nile St, Glasgow G1 2PX. 0345 090 933				
American Inc	158.90	162.60	-2.70	2.46
European	59.47	60.76	+0.89	1.19
Olympiad	51.60	53.07	-0.39	0.40
Global Bond	47.56	48.09	-0.03	6.62
Smaller Cos	62.53	65.25	+0.12	1.29
Equity Income	90.31	92.82†	+0.18	5.18
UK Growth	80.46	82.86†	+0.35	1.86
NM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
The Bilton Centre, North Harbour, Portsmouth. Enquiries: 0705 372222 Dealing: 0705 387730				
American Acc	45.13	48.13	-1.01	0.84
Australian Acc	292.30	313.60	-1.70	...
Conscience	62.02	66.18	+1.19	1.07
-do- Acc	66.60	71.07	+1.29	1.07
European	164.10	175†	-0.50	1.11
-do- Acc	176.90	188.20	-0.70	1.11
Extra Income	71.43	76.23	+0.28	5.82
-do- Acc	108	115.20	+0.30	5.82
Far East Gth	151.20	161.60	-2.50	0.06
Gilt Fxd Inc	57.62	60.98	+0.03	6.49
Gold	32.27	34.69	-0.31	...
-do- Acc	34.75	37.36	-0.33	...
Income	51.02	54.42	+0.16	5.16
-do- Acc	153	163.20	+0.60	5.16
International	28.03	30.07	-0.44	1.13
-do- Acc	40.28	43.21	-0.61	1.13
Jap Sm Cos Acc	303.10	323.30	-5.20	...
S pore Mly Acc	158.50	169.90	-0.80	...
Smllr Cos Acc	24.02	25.82	+0.06	1.86
Special Sits	31.20	33.54†	+0.14	1.76
-do- Acc	35.93	38.63	+0.16	1.76
Tokyo	80.07	85.30	-1.27	...
-do- Acc	80.87	86.26	-1.29	...
N & P UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
35 Fountain St, Manchester M2 2AF 061 237 5322				
N&P UK Growth	66.73	70.99	+0.40	2.93
N&P Glt Fxd Int	73.14	77.40	-0.33	7.50
N&P Higher Inc	186.20	198.10	+0.80	5.01
N&P UK Income	99.38	105.73	+0.38	4.11
N&P Intl	84.14	89.52†	-0.31	1.98
N&P Smaller Cos	72.42	77.05†	+0.19	1.69
NEWTON FUND MANAGERS				
2 London Bridge, London SE1 9RA 071 407 4404				
General	155.47	165.40†	-0.26	2.33
Global	268.46	285.60†	-0.96	1.14
Growth	102.76	109.32†	+0.43	2.55
Income	195.14	207.60†	+0.52	4.40
Intl Bond	123.41	130.92†	-2.67	6.49
PEARL UNIT TRUST LTD				
PO Box 500, Peterborough PE2 6BR 0733 470470. Dealing: 0800 626577				
Growth	135.50	142.60	+0.40	2.53
-do- Acc	234.70	247.00	+0.70	2.53
Income	211.30	224.80†	-0.50	3.60
Intl Equity	214.20	227.90	-1.90	0.07
-do- Acc	234.50	249.50	-2.10	0.07
Equity	212.70	226.30	+1.00	2.39
-do- Acc	431.20	458.70	-1.90	2.39
UK Intl 25 Acc	67.31	71.60	+0.06	1.94
UK Income	58.58	62.31	+0.16	3.07
UK Smllr Co Acc	68.97	73.37	+0.14	1.36
New Europe Acc	59.93	63.75	-0.02	1.40
PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST				
48 Hart Street, Henley on Thames 0491 417000				
Asian Smllr Mkt	84.73	90.63	-0.64	0.25
PEP Gth Inc	95.04	101.65	-0.99	1.14
Intl Gth	457.70	489.52	+0.74	0.69
Income	284.56	304.35†	+0.72	3.46
W wide Recov	285.52	305.37	-0.30	0.58
American Gth	193.15	206.58	-0.06	0.01
Intl Emerg Cos	172.65	184.69	+0.34	0.15
Far East Gth	199.94	213.84	-2.99	0.01
European Gth	109.57	117.19	+0.14	1.09
UK Growth	72.88	77.95	-0.05	3.08
High Income	79.69	85.23	+0.38	4.50
Japanese Gth	200.15	212.90	-1.68	0.01
PROLIFIC UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Walbrook Hse, 23 Walbrook, London EC4N 8LD. Dealing: 0800 262443				
International	165.40	175.90†	-2.20	0.90
High Income	103.70	110.30†	-1.20	3.62
Conv Gilt	107.40	114.30	+0.10	6.46
Far East	284.80	303.00†	-4.20	0.38
PROSPERITY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT				
1 Sessions Hse Sq, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX. 0622 674751				
American	46.86	49.85	-0.81	0.59
Emerging Mkts	58.63	62.37	-2.83	0.23
General	46.59	49.56	+0.13	3.46
International	80.89	86.05†	-0.83	1.32
Gilt Units	26.29	27.10	+0.03	8.10
Global PEP	34.19	36.37†	-0.14	2.15
Income Gth	62.69	66.69	+0.07	5.27
European	41.84	44.51†	-0.19	1.19
Gilt/Fixed Int	25.31	26.93†	...	6.18
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
51/59 Ilford Hill, Ilford, Essex IG1 2DL 081 478 3377. Enquiries: 071 911 4490 Intermediary Dealing: 071 911 4314 Pricecheck: 0426 925091				
Pru Mngd Tst **	29.91	31.98†	-0.23	1.62
Pru Csh Hvn Inc	101.61	101.61†	+0.01	5.36
-do- Acc	104.69	104.69†	+0.01	5.36
Pru Equity	640.76	685.30†	+2.59	2.47
Pru Equity Inc	78.37	83.81	+0.45	4.58
Pru European	168.24	179.93	-0.60	1.88
Pru Global Gth	76.69	82.02	-0.46	1.57
Pru High Inc	84.30	90.16†	+0.62	5.69
Pru Intl	154.61	165.35	-2.11	1.31
Pru Intl Sm Co	64.92	69.43†	-0.94	0.93
Pru Japanese	187.77	200.82†	-3.85	...
Pru Nth Amer	138.16	147.76	-2.73	0.48
Pru Pacific Mkt	69.91	74.77	-1.09	1.88
Pru Premr Inc	48.67	50.66†	-0.01	7.55
Pru Smllr Cos	79.96	85.51	+0.18	2.02
Pru Spec Sits	96.16	102.84	+0.32	2.25
Pru UK Growth	107.26	114.71†	-0.34	2.36
** Formerly Holborn Trust				
ROTHSCHILD FUND MANAGEMENT LTD				
St Swithin's Lane, London EC4N 8NR Dealing: 071 634 2981/4				
NC Income	150.45	161.98	+0.76	3.66
NC Japan	255.19	272.53	-4.70	..
NC Maj UK Cos	91.96	98.89	-0.50	2.44
NC America Inc	457.38	491.08	-9.13	0.87
-do- Acc	531.48	570.39	-10.61	0.87
NC Smlr UK Cos	248.67	271.34†	+0.69	1.57
NC European	248.38	265.46	+0.76	1.32
SAVE & PROSPER GROUP				
16-22 Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB 0708 766966 or 0800 929929 (IFAs only)				
Amer Inc Gth	69.73	74.18†	-1.10	3.94
Capital Units	138.20	147.00	-0.20	1.43
Commodity	92.87	98.79	-0.12	1.32
European Gth	147.40	156.80	+0.40	1.39
Financial Sec	166.90	177.50	-0.60	1.90
High Return	207.10	220.30	-0.70	4.63
High Yield	197.70	210.30†	+0.90	3.84
Income Units	106.60	113.40	+0.30	4.85
Investment	165.90	176.40†	-0.30	1.13
Japan Gth	142.20	151.20	-3.10	...
Japan Smaller	174.60	185.70	-2.20	...
Masterfund	44.12	46.93	-0.28	0.96
Scotbits	242.70	258.10	-1.10	1.63
Scotshares	246.60	262.30	-0.50	2.68
Scotyields	215.60	229.30	+0.40	4.06
Select Intl	123.80	131.70†	-1.10	0.75
Smaller Cos	213.10	226.60†	+0.20	4.24
Special Situation	104.90	111.50	+0.80	0.76
UK Equity	216.50	230.30	+0.80	2.91
US Growth	132.70	141.10	-2.70	0.35
SCHRODER UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
33 Gutter Lane, London EC2V 8AS. Client line: 0800 526 535. Broker line: 0800 526 540				
American	227.76	242.94	-2.38	0.57
-do- Acc	246.06	262.45	-2.58	0.57
Australian	129.67	138.31	-1.84	0.86
-do- Acc	152.44	162.60	-2.17	0.86
UK Enterprise	201.30	214.72†	+1.39	2.64
-do- Acc	232.54	248.04	+1.61	2.64
European Gth	59.34	63.29†	-0.23	1.30
-do- Acc	61.43	65.52	-0.23	1.30
Euro Smllr Cos	55.87	59.59†	-0.05	0.34
-do- Acc	56.25	60.00	-0.05	0.34
Far Eastern Gth	65.19	69.53	-1.09	...
-do- Acc	66.24	70.66	-1.10	...
Fixed Interest	51.45	54.25†	-0.02	8.70
-do- Acc	62.48	65.88	-0.02	8.70
Gilt Income	101.79	107.28†	+0.13	8.55
-do- Acc	142.17	149.83†	+0.18	8.55
Income	296.76	316.54†	+1.40	4.10
-do- Acc	875.35	933.72	+4.15	4.10
Japan Enterprise	62.54	66.70†	-1.09	...
-do- Acc	62.54	66.70	-1.09	...
Japan Smllr Cos	416.70	444.48†	-4.37	...
-do- Acc	417.54	445.37	-4.38	...
Pacific Gth	86.51	92.27	-1.45	0.46
-do- Acc	89.07	95.01	-1.49	0.46
Smaller Cos	180.49	192.52†	+0.46	1.06
-do- Acc	206.85	220.63	+0.52	1.06
Tokyo	99.48	106.11†	-1.64	...
-do- Acc	100.49	107.18	-1.66	...
UK Equity	200.30	213.54†	+0.67	2.76
-do- Acc	370.74	395.45	+1.24	2.76
US Smllr Cos	127.02	135.48	-0.66	...
-do- Acc	127.02	135.48	-0.66	...
World Fd	68.05	72.58	-0.12	1.68
-do- Acc	71.74	76.52	-0.13	1.68
SCOTTISH AMICABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NQ 041 204 2200				
Equity Income	42.60	45.37	+0.01	4.43
Equity Strategy	61.92	65.94	+0.42	1.80
European Opps	71.00	75.61	+0.38	3.22
Maximum Inc	98.49	101.03	-0.07	5.43
UK Smaller Cos	48.29	51.43	+0.03	3.21
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS				
19 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh. 031 225 2211				
UK Equity	337.60	360.80	-1.90	2.78
American	235.40	250.00	-5.10	0.90
Pacific	311.60	333.30	-5.10	0.72
European	446.70	477.80	-0.60	1.17
Worldwide	75.94	81.22	-0.26	1.26
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT				
109 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN 041 248 6100				
UK Equity	296.10	315.10	+1.10	2.62
UK Sm Cos Eqty	191.40	203.70	+0.60	2.21
European	323.30	344.00†	-0.50	1.96
North American	238.90	254.20†	-4.50	0.51
Income Plus Inc	63.71	67.78†	+0.14	3.71
UK Spec Sits	64.79	68.93†	+0.23	2.43
SCOTTISH PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD				
6 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh EH2 2YA 031 558 2341/2/3				
Equity Gth Acc	24.75	26.49†	+0.09	2.90
Intl Growth Acc	27.70	29.85†	-0.17	1.27
Global Inc Acc	30.53	32.68	+0.09	3.77
Market Ldrs Acc	25.53	27.33	+0.15	2.89
SG TOUCHE REMNANT				
Mermaid Hse, 2 Puddle Dock, London EC4V 3AT. 071 248 1250				
American Gth	78.63	84.09†	-1.22	...
Euro Spec Sits	44.04	46.90†	-0.17	...
-do- Acc	46.63	49.66	-0.18	...
Far East Opps	29.16	31.38	-0.46	...
-do- Acc	29.96	32.25	-0.47	...
General Growth	97.12	104.00	+0.40	2.03
Global Tech	106.60	115.30	-2.40	...
Income Growth	99.07	106.50	...	3.51
Income Monthly	55.60	59.46	+0.12	4.32
Japan Growth	77.07	81.95	-1.89	...
Overseas Gth	73.12	77.90	-1.26	...
Smaller Cos	69.43	74.65†	+0.10	1.67
Special Opps	97.35	104.60	+0.10	2.20
Wld Spec Sits	45.16	48.73	-0.53	...
-do- Acc	45.27	48.84	-0.53	...
SINGER & FRIEDLANDER INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD				
21 New Street, Bishopsgate, London EC2M 2HR. 071 626 6226				
European	$94.34	...	...	...
Global Bond	$95.01	...	...	7.50
Japan Samurai	$94.34	...	...	...
UK Growth	$94.34	...	...	4.20
STANDARD LIFE TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
3 George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 0800 393777				
Managed	42.80	45.48	...	1.83
Equity Gth Acc	56.85	60.41	+0.20	1.66
UK Eq General	40.82	43.38†	+0.20	2.44
-do- Acc	53.98	57.36	+0.20	2.44
European Acc	40.56	43.10	+0.10	1.16
Far East Acc	53.23	56.56	-0.30	0.20
Gilt Fxd Int Inc	29.90	31.62†	...	6.71
N American Acc	41.77	44.39	-0.70	0.70
O/s Lgr Cos Acc	266.50	289.20	-1.90	1.57
UK Eq High Inc	33.96	36.09†	+0.20	4.11
-do- Acc	40.32	42.84	+0.20	4.11
UK Lgr Cos Inc	281.20	305.20†	+1.20	3.89
UK Lgr Cos Acc	366.10	397.30	+1.50	3.89
STATE STREET UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
Birchin Court, 20 Birchin Lane, London EC3V 9AQ. 071 626 1977				
Global A	N283.56	N283.79	...	1.16
US Eq	$2.110	$2.242	...	0.78
Far East Eq	¥242.1	¥257.1	...	...
Japan Eq	¥242.1	¥257.0	...	...
FT Europe	110.80	117.60	...	2.15
FT North Am	$1.718	$1.821	...	1.09
FT Japan	¥239.2	¥254.1	...	...
FT Asia Ex Jap	$1.812	$1.924	...	1.76
STEWART IVORY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
45 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031 226 3271				
American	327.70	347.90	-6.60	0.31
British	911.40	964.30	-0.50	4.38
European	380.50	405.20	+0.70	1.46
Japan	136.70	145.10	-2.00	..
New Pacific	285.30	303.80	-0.90	1.29
Mngd Cash	95.55	95.55†	...	4.95
Majority Stg	99.72	100.72†	+0.01	4.93
Inv Tst	179.70	190.50	+0.20	1.87
Saints PPP	366.90	386.20	...	..
SUN ALLIANCE				
Admin. 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex 0277 227300 Dealing: 0277 690389				
Equity Acc	712.40	761.90	+2.20	2.74
N America Acc	107.60	115.10	-2.20	0.20
Far East Acc	116.10	124.20	-1.90	...
W wide Bond	59.69	63.37†	-0.67	5.52
European	81.27	86.92	-0.20	0.12
Equity Income	80.58	86.18	+0.34	3.62
SUN LIFE OF CANADA				
Basingview, Basingstoke, Hants RG21 2DZ Dealing: 0256 841414				
American Gth	32.77	35.05	-0.53	0.64
Managed Assets	115.27	123.29	+0.11	3.27
UK Income	35.77	38.26	+0.17	3.13
UK Growth	35.30	37.76	-0.22	2.39
Worldwide Gth	29.82	31.90	-0.32	0.46
TSB UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
Charlton Place, Andover, Hants. SP10 1RE 0264 346794				
American	195.75	208.24	-4.03	0.01
-do- Acc	215.00	228.72	-4.42	0.01
British Gth	82.48	87.75†	-0.17	1.85
-do- Acc	97.05	103.24†	-0.20	1.85
European	92.57	98.48	-0.02	0.82
-do- Acc	97.65	103.88	+0.02	0.82
Extra Inc	178.57	189.97	-1.12	3.89
-do- Acc	284.87	303.05	-1.78	3.89
General Unit	253.95	270.16	-1.27	2.48
-do- Acc	501.09	533.08	-2.51	2.45
Income	312.17	332.10	+1.67	3.47
-do- Acc	635.84	676.43	+3.40	3.47
International	465.92	495.66†	-5.43	0.50
-do- Acc	609.90	648.83†	-7.10	0.50
Pacific	320.01	340.44	-6.58	...
-do- Acc	335.15	356.54	-6.89	...
Premier Income	50.68	52.79	-0.07	6.80
-do- Acc	104.09	108.43	-0.13	6.50
Nat Resources	96.73	102.90†	-1.59	0.62
-do- Acc	106.09	112.86†	-1.75	0.62
Selected Opps	92.42	98.32†	+0.35	1.12
-do- Acc	115.70	123.09†	+0.43	1.12
THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
33 Cavendish Sq, London W1M 7HF 071 493 7262 Dealing: 071 493 8545				
Amer Sml Cos	65.83	70.21	-2.73	...
-do- Acc	67.90	72.42	-2.82	...
Cash	50.34	50.34†	...	6.24
-do- Acc	61.48	61.48†	+0.01	6.24
European Opps	60.33	64.23	-0.20	0.40
-do- Acc	60.96	64.91	-0.19	0.40
Far East Opps	142.46	151.95†	-1.97	...
-do- Acc	145.78	155.49†	-2.02	...
Gold/Nat. Res	39.20	41.81	-0.99	..
-do- Acc	40.31	42.99	-1.05	..
Japan	78.06	83.08†	-1.40	...
-do- Acc	78.06	83.08†	-1.40	...
Little Dragons	62.90	67.09†	-0.87	0.74
-do- Acc	64.87	69.19†	-0.91	0.74
Oriental Income	40.88	43.60†	-0.56	3.65
-do- Acc	52.70	55.68†	-0.71	3.65
Tiger	200.41	213.77	-1.11	1.23
-do- Acc	211.11	225.18	-1.17	1.23
UK Small Cos	65.71	70.27	+0.20	2.26
-do- Acc	76.67	82.00	+0.24	2.26
WAVERLEY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
13 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh EH2 4DJ 031 225 1551				
Australasian Gold	13.38	14.23	-0.03	0.50
Pacific Basin	29.68	31.37	-0.60	0.00
Canadian Gth	35.70	37.97	-0.27	0.10
Global Bond	$0.981	$1.022	-0.005	7.30
Penny Share	20.79	22.11	+0.01	1.50
WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
2 Honey Lane, London EC2V 8BT 071 606 3132				
City Reserve	52.54	52.54	+0.01	5.83
Gilt Growth	65.96	68.64	+0.10	..
Gilt Income	51.85	53.96†	+0.04	7.50
Short Dtd Gilt	106.20	107.60†	-0.20	3.50
US Govmnt Bd	$0.715	$0.724	+0.000	...
Challenger	90.13	92.22	-0.38	..
WOOLWICH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
2 White Oak Square, Swanley BR8 7AG 081 298 4000				
Stockmarket Fd	66.47	70.71	+0.59	2.02

Source: Finstat

* Yield expressed as CAR (Compound Annual Return); † Ex dividend; ‡ Middle price; ... No significant data.

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Hammerson lays fresh foundations and changes board

BY CARL MORTISHED

A three-month review of the portfolio of one of Britain's largest property companies has been ordered as the new board gets to grips with debts of almost £1 billion

HAMMERSON, the property investment company, announced sweeping management changes, with the retirement of Sydney Mason, the chairman, and John Parry, the managing director.

Geoffrey Maitland Smith, a non-executive director, is taking over as non-executive chairman at the annual meeting on June 14, and Ron Spinney, formerly a director of Greycoat, is to take over as chief executive from May 1.

Hammerson A shares dived 19p to 301p on the announcement of the 1992 results, which showed a fall in net asset value of 30 per cent to 445p, below City expectations, and a rise in gearing from 78 to 114 per cent. Borrowings increased from £853 million to £936 million, partly due to the company's American borrowings. The fall in Hammerson's shares reflected anticipation of a rights issue when the new management takes up the reins.

Hammerson has cut its dividend, as forecast at the time of the interim results, to 10p for the year, compared with 20.5p in 1991, reflecting the 44 per cent drop in pre-tax profits to £31.1 million and a halving of earnings per share to 11p. The company blamed the collapse in profits on a shortfall in rental income over the financing cost of recently completed developments, as well as a £12.9 million provision on the value of trading land in Mississauga, Canada, where the collapse of Bramalea, a local property developer, scuppered a big land deal with the company.

The incoming chairman, who is chief executive of Sears Sears and deputy chairman of Midland Bank, said that Mr Spinney will be spending up to three months reviewing every aspect of the portfolio and the management of the company. "We have to agree a future strategy of the company and he has got to look at everything."

Speculation had been mounting over the succession at Hammerson for some time due to the anticipated retirement of Mr Parry next year and question marks over the retirement of Mr Mason. He will become life president after 44 years with Hammerson, where he has been chairman since 1958. The City expected that the management change would require the blessing of Standard Life, Hammerson's 24 per cent shareholder, whose representative on the board is a member of the nominations committee. The board changes may also quell bid rumours for the company, which have sent the price spiralling up since the start of the year.

Mr Spinney helped to found Greycoat, the property developer that built Embankment Place at Charing Cross, after a period with Sterling Land. He left Greycoat last year.

Hammerson's rental income rose 11 per cent to £126 million during the year, thanks to rent reviews at Brent Cross shopping centre. But Mr Parry says that rents across the portfolio are nearing their estimated rental value. Hammerson's investments fell in value by 19 per cent over the year with the biggest falls in Canada, 27 per cent, and France, 22 per cent, where office rents in Paris have fallen by as much as 30 per cent over the past year.

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TIM BISHOP

Music to shareholders' ears: Richard Holland, chief executive, unveiled higher profits and a raised payout

Boosey's pick of the pops

A HITHERTO obscure work by a little-known Polish composer is set to net Boosey & Hawkes, the music publisher and maker of musical instruments, a windfall of £50,000 (Martin Waller writes).

Boosey, which has reported pre-tax profits up from £4.01 million to £4.23 million despite difficult trading conditions in the year to end-December, owns the rights to much of the work of Henryk Gorecki, whose *Symphony No. 3* has sold more than 250,000 copies and neared the top of the pop charts.

None of the proceeds from Gorecki went into last year's figures and not all will be received in 1993, Richard Holland, chief executive, said. Boosey, which announced a final dividend of 16p, making a total up 2p to 22p, is also looking for a deferred pay-off for its $200 million lawsuit against the Walt Disney Company for the use of Stravinsky's *The Rite of Spring* in the film *Fantasia*. Mr Holland said such actions can take years to resolve.

Investors race to catch Stagecoach

Stagecoach, the bus company, said that its 11.7 million public share offer has been oversubscribed almost eight times. Dealings should begin next Tuesday. Applicants for more than 10,000 shares receive none, but those for 250 receive 200.

Those who applied for between 500 and 1,000 will receive 225 shares; for 1,500, 240; and for 2,000, 250 shares. Those seeking between 2,500 and 10,000 receive 10 per cent of what they asked for.

Trust advances

London & Associated Investment Trust, reported a 5 per cent rise in net assets a share to 39.34p as at December 31, and a 14 per cent advance in 1992 pre-tax profits to £1.17 million. The year's dividend rises from 0.53p to 0.58p. Bisichi Mining, 42 per cent owned by L&A, earned pre-tax profits of £166,000 (£106,000) in the year ending December. The dividend is 0.63p (0.60p).

Sustained rise

NatWest Bancorp recorded its fifth quarter of improving profitability. Net income in the first three months of 1993 totalled $60.7 million, more than double the $30.1 million earned in 1992's first quarter.

PowerGen post

Sir Colin Southgate, chairman of Thorn EMI, is to take over as chairman of PowerGen from Sir Graham Day, who will retire in September.

Aids study link boosts drug shares

BY GEORGE SIVELL
CITY EDITOR

DRUG shares rose in Britain yesterday after 15 American and European pharmaceutical companies said that they would share early Aids research and drug supplies to speed up the search for combination therapies which virologists consider may prove to be more effective than any one single drug.

The companies involved include Britain's Wellcome, SmithKline Beecham and Glaxo. They will share the costs of the collaborative work with the 12 other worldwide groups. In addition, the companies will standardise testing of resistance to the virus.

Wellcome makes AZT, the most commonly used Aids drug, under the Retrovir brand name, although its shares suffered recently after reports about the drug.

SmithKline shares rose 12p to 444p after the group revealed a 12 per cent rise in pre-tax profits from £272 million to £306 million for the first quarter of 1993.

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Scottish Equitable venture with Aegon

BY SARAH BAGNALL, INSURANCE CORRESPONDENT

SCOTTISH Equitable Life Assurance and Aegon, the Dutch insurer, are forming a partnership that gives the Edinburgh mutual £200 million to fund future growth and enables it to realise part of the value of its fast growing unit-linked business.

The deal involves the transfer of Scottish Equitable's business into a new company, called Scottish Equitable plc, the shareholders' funds of which will be owned by Aegon, a fully quoted company with a London listing. Aegon is contributing £40 million as share capital in Scottish Equitable.

The Dutch insurer is paying a further £200 million into Scottish Equitable's participating fund, which will be held for the sole benefit of the existing and future participating policyholders — namely those holding "with-profit" policies.

In return, Aegon gets a 40 per cent share in the future profits of the non-participating businesses, which are the unit-linked and non-profit policies.

The 60 per cent balance of the non-participating profits will be paid to participating policyholders.

David Berridge, chief executive at Scottish Equitable, said part of the £200 million payment by Aegon was in the form of goodwill.

He said: "Aegon have paid 45 per cent over the fund's embedded value," adding that this represents 10 times the present value of one year's new business.

The City welcomed the link, saying it was good for policyholders, the company, the staff and management. The £200 million injection doubles Scottish Equitable's free asset ratio, a measure of financial health, and provides the company with finance for future expansion.

Mr Berridge said the deal enabled external capital to come into the company while preserving the interests of participating policyholders.

Tax considerations also affected the structure of the deal. The decision to transfer the non-participating fund to Scottish Equitable was seen as the most tax efficient set-up for policyholders.

Britain pays tribute to a mean pig

BY RODNEY HOBSON

THE British are a leaner, fitter breed. We carry less fat than our American cousins and the Asians are no competition. Indeed, the British are renowned as being the best pigs — which is why two pig breeding companies are among the 158 winners of the Queen's Awards to Industry.

National Pig Development Company at Driffield, Humberside, has got its snout ahead by bringing over the Chinese Meishan pig, famous for its chubby chops. Crossing it with British pigs has produced a version that is fat but not fatty. Even the Chinese have sent over scientists to study the hybrid.

But for a real coals-to-Newcastle story, it is hard to beat the achievement of Nissan in exporting cars to Japan from its Washington factory on Tyne and Wear. Demand for hatchbacks is insufficient to justify production in Japan, so Nissan UK exports them.

Nissan is among three top car manufacturers to win the award for exports, as British makers, hit by the poor domestic market, were forced to use spare capacity to serve markets abroad. Ford, twice previously an award winner, and Vauxhall are also honoured.

Caterham Cars, which rescued the Lotus Super Seven sports car in 1973, counts Japan as its largest market, charging up to £30,000 a time for those enthusiasts who want to put a racing model through its paces on Japan's congested streets.

Other big names in the Queen's list include Marks and Spencer, for exporting clothing, home furnishings and food; GEC Alsthom, BT and FKI Babcock.

Smiths Industries — a winner 16 times already — has won two technology awards for navigational aids for river boats and fighter aircraft. Cruising on the crowded Rhine is safer since ICL, the computer group, developed a radar system that distinguishes between small objects at close range, while the map reading device for aircraft was given a baptism of fire in the Gulf war.

ICL, Johnson Matthey in metals and Pilkington in glass are also double award winners.

Cheers for Scotch whisky, as Macallan-Glenlivet, another exporter to break through the Japanese barriers, and Justerini & Brooks win export awards — J&B for the sixth time. Irish cream liqueurs from St Brendans in Londonderry must be good stuff. Exports more than tripled last year, helping to create 20 extra jobs in a high unemployment area.

The ingenuity of the medical world features in the technology awards. A breathing tube that does not have to be swallowed comes from Intavent in Berkshire, while Joint Replacement Instrumentation in London sprays artificial bone onto metal hip replacements. The natural bone in the leg is fooled into fusing with the manmade version.

When it comes to the intelligent doppler, Huntleigh Technology knows a thing or two. The doppler measures the heart beat of unborn babies or the blood flow through varicose veins. Huntleigh's version, costing from £160, is the first with a digital display.

For the first time, awards were made for contributions to the environment. The initial list has 12 names.

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BR. FITTINGS GRP (Fin)
Pre-tax: £1.45m loss
EPS: 5.41p loss
Div: 1p, mkg 1.5p

Previous year's loss was £3.8m, with a loss per share of 14.49p. The total dividend was 5.375p. Exceptional charge of £500,000.

FREEMAN GROUP (Fin)
Pre-tax: £874,000
EPS: 7.8p (0.6p loss)
Div: 3p, mkg 5p (8p)

Previous year's profits were £342,000. Turnover eased to £61m from £74m but margins helped by reduced administration costs.

ROPNER (Fin)
Pre-tax: £3.8m (£5.3m)
EPS: 11p (15.8p)
Div: 4.75p, mkg 8.25p

Total dividend unchanged. Profits fell as a result of lower income from associates and a decline in investment income.

SHANI GROUP (Int)
Pre-tax: £1.34m
EPS: 6.3p (3.6p)
Div: 1.8p (1.8p)

Interim profits last time were £770,000. Turnover rose to £11.5m from £5.09m. Second half has made good start.

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LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE MATTER of BELTONROSE LIMITED AND IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Creditors of the above-named Company, which is being voluntarily wound up, are required, on or before the 27th day of May 1993, to send to their full forenames and surnames, their addresses and descriptions, full particulars of their debts or claims and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to the undersigned Keith David Goodman, FCA Leonard Curtis & Co., 30 Eastbourne Terrace, London, W2 6LF the Liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are personally or by their Solicitors to come in and prove their debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.
Dated this 15th day of April 1993.
K.D. Goodman, FCA, Liquidator.

IN THE MATTER OF BELTONROSE LIMITED AND IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY RULES 1986
In accordance with Rule 4.106 of The Insolvency Rules 1986 notice is hereby given that I, Keith David Goodman, FCA a Licensed Insolvency Practitioner of Messrs. Leonard Curtis & Co., 30 Eastbourne Terrace, London, W2 6LF, was appointed Liquidator of the above Company by the members and creditors on 15th April 1993.
Dated this 15th day of April 1993.
Keith David Goodman, FCA.
Liquidator Leonard Curtis & Co.

Notice of appointment of Liquidator
Voluntary winding up Creditors
Pursuant to section 109 of The Insolvency Act 1986
Company Number: 2449013.
Name of company: Realmove Limited. Nature of business: Mail Wholesalers. Type of Liquidation: Creditors Voluntary. Liquidator: R A Segal A Segal & Co., Treviot House, 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex IG1 1JQ. Office holder no: 002688. Date of appointment: 13 April 1993. By whom appointed: The Members & Creditors. Date: 13 April 1993.

Notice of appointment of Administrative Receiver
HARTEAGLE LIMITED
Registered number: 1078564
Trading name: Harteagle Limited. Nature of business: Building Contracting. Trade classification: 35. Date of appointment of administrative receivers: 15 April 1993. Name of person appointing the administrative receivers: National Westminster Bank plc. Joint Administrative Receivers: Alan John Barrett and Michael David Gercke (office holder nos: 1095 and 2360). Address: No 1 London Bridge London SE1 9QL.

The Insolvency Act 1986
B.P. PRINT FINISHERS LTD
(In Liquidation)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Maurice Raymond Dorrington, FIPA of Poppleton & Appleby, 4 Chesterhouse Square, London EC1M 6EN was appointed Liquidator of the said Company by the members and creditors on 12th April 1993.
Dated this 16th day of April 1993
M.R. Dorrington, FIPA
Liquidator

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF FIRST DIVIDEND
IN THE MATTER OF REACH COMMUNICATIONS LIMITED AND IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with the provisions of Rule 11.2 of The Insolvency Rule 1986 that a first dividend will be paid within a period of four months from the last date for proving. The last date for creditors to prove claims in the liquidation is 14th May 1993.
Creditors of the above named Company should send their addresses, descriptions and full particulars of their debt or claims to the undersigned Keith David Goodman FCA Leonard Curtis & Co., P.O. Box 583 30 Eastbourne Terrace, London, W2 6LF. Under Rule 11.3(2) a Liquidator is not obliged to deal with claims lodged after the date for proving.
Dated this 16th day of April 1993.
Keith David Goodman, Liquidator

Notice of Appointment of Joint Administrative Receivers
Name of company: Pollard & Hayward Services Limited. Registered number: 1827626. Trading name: Pollard & Hayward. Trade classification: 35. Joint Administrative Receivers: Alan Lovell and William Jason Hugh Elles (office holder nos: 6476/01 and 1963/01). Address: Ernst & Young Apex Plaza Reading Berkshire RG1 1YE. Date of appointment: 13 April 1993. By whom appointed: Provident Life Association Limited. Date of charge: 30 November 1992. Nature of Charge: Fixed and Floating.

IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
- and -
IN THE MATTER OF DIE AND SAND CASTERS LTD (In Administrative Receivership)
Registered No: 2613469
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 48 of the Insolvency Act 1986 that a Meeting of the above Company will be held at the London Chamber of Commerce, 69 Cannon Street, London EC4N 5AB on Wednesday 28th April 1993 at 11.00 am.
A Creditor is entitled to vote only if he has sent to the Joint Administrative Receivers Messrs Booth White, 142-146 Main Road, Sidcup, Kent, DA14 6NZ, not later than the 27th day of April 1993 details in writing of the debt that he claims to be due to him from the Company and the claim has been duly admitted under the provisions of the Insolvency Rules, 1986 and there has been lodged with the Joint Administrative Receivers any proxy which the Creditor intends to use on his behalf.
Creditors whose claims are wholly Secured are not entitled to attend, or be represented at the Meeting. Creditors whose claims are partially Secured should deduct the value of their security from their total claim and they will only be allowed to vote on the Unsecured portion of their claim.
Dated this 14th day of April 1993.
Brian Mills and Colin G Wiseman
Joint Administrative Receivers

IN THE MATTER OF LAURENCE PHILIPPS (AGENCIES) LIMITED
AND IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Rule 4.106 of the Insolvency Rules 1986 on 7 April 1993, I David Julian Buchler of Buchler Phillips & Co., 84 Grosvenor Street, London W1X 9DF was appointed Liquidator of the above-named company by the creditors.
NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that the creditors of the above-named Company, which is being voluntarily wound up, are required, on or before the 7 July 1993, to send in their full Christian and surnames, their addresses and descriptions, full particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to the undersigned David Julian Buchler, of Buchler Phillips & Co., 84 Grosvenor Street, London W1X 9DF the Liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are, personally or by their Solicitors to come in and prove their debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.
Dated 7th April 1993
David Julian Buchler, Liquidator

Notice of appointment of Administrative Receiver
CLEVEDON HOUSE (CROMER) LIMITED
Registered number: 654072
Trading name: Clevedon House (Cromer) Limited. Nature of business: Sale of Flats Forming Part of Freehold Property. Trade classification: 35. Date of appointment of administrative receivers: 15 April 1993. Name of person appointing the administrative receivers: National Westminster Bank plc. Joint Administrative Receivers: Alan John Barrett and Michael David Gercke (office holder nos: 1095 and 2360). Address: No 1 London Bridge London SE1 9QL.

Notice of appointment of Administrative Receiver
ELKINGTONS (LONDON) LIMITED
Registered number: 1066837. Former company name: Thvergrange Limited. Nature of business: Property Development. Trade classification: 35. Date of appointment of administrative receivers: 15 April 1993. Name of person appointing the administrative receivers: National Westminster Bank plc. Joint Administrative Receivers: Alan John Barrett and Michael David Gercke (office holder nos: 1095 and 2360). Address: No 1 London Bridge London SE1 9QL.

RE: STARLEAF PUBLICATIONS LTD. AND
THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a Meeting of the Creditors of the above named Company will be held at Treviot House, 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex IG1 1JQ on Friday the 25rd April 1993, at 10.00 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purposes mentioned in Section 99, 100 and 101 of the said Act.
A list of the names and addresses of the Company's Creditors will be available for inspection free of charge at the offices of A Segal & Co., Treviot House, 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex IG1 1JQ, between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. on the two business days prior to the meeting.
Dated this 7th day of April 1993.
Mr W McCafferty,
Director/Secretary

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
J. KEIGHLEY (ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS) LTD
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above named Company will be held on 4th May 1993 at 4 Charterhouse Square, London EC1M 6EN at 12 noon for the purposes mentioned in Section 99 et seq of the said Act.
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that Maurice Raymond Dorrington, FIPA of, 4 Charterhouse Square, London, EC1M 6EN is appointed to act as the qualified Insolvency Practitioner pursuant to Section 98 (2)(a) of the said Act who will furnish Creditors with such information as they may require.
DATED this 8th day of April 1993.
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
John A Kimberley, Director

The Insolvency Act 1986
SOUTH EAST LONDON CONSTRUCTION CO. LIMITED
(In Liquidation)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that John Colin Shuttleworth of Shuttleworth & Company, 20 Hillcroft, Loughton, Essex IG10 2PS was appointed Liquidator of the said Company by a resolution of the company's creditors on 13th April 1993.
Dated this 16th day of April 1993
J C Shuttleworth, Liquidator

Notice of appointment of Administrative Receiver
AVEBURY INVESTMENTS LIMITED
Registered number: 732973.
Trading name: Avebury Investments Limited. Nature of business: Property Investment and Related Income. Trade classification: 35. Date of appointment of administrative receivers: 15 April 1993. Name of person appointing the administrative receivers: National Westminster Bank plc. Joint Administrative Receivers: Alan John Barrett and Michael David Gercke (office holder nos: 1095 and 2360). Address: No 1 London Bridge London SE1 9QL.

Notice of appointment of Administrative Receiver
NETHERSPAR PROPERTIES LIMITED
Registered number: 1060185.
Trading name: Nethersper Properties Limited. Nature of business: Property Development and Related Income. Trade classification: 35. Date of appointment of administrative receivers: 15 April 1993. Name of person appointing the administrative receivers: National Westminster Bank plc. Joint Administrative Receivers: Alan John Barrett and Michael David Gercke (office holder nos: 1095 and 2360). Address: No 1 London Bridge London SE1 9QL.

Notice of appointment of Liquidator
Voluntary winding up Creditors
Pursuant to section 109 of The Insolvency Act 1986
Company Number: 01237157
Name of company: Keralynn Ltd T/A Shoe-To-Go. Nature of Business: Shoe Retailers. Address of registered office: Treviot House 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex. IG1 1JQ. Type of Liquidation: Creditors Voluntary. Liquidator: R A Segal A Segal & Co., Treviot House, 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex IG1 1JQ. Office holder no: 002688. Date of appointment: 7 April 1993. By whom appointed: The Members & Creditors. Date: 13 April 1993.

Notice of appointment of Administrative Receiver
ELKINGTON SECURITIES LIMITED
Registered number: 1063275.
Former company name: Elkin Securities Limited. Trading name: Elkington Securities Limited. Nature of business: Holding Company. Trade classification: 35. Date of appointment of administrative receivers: 15 April 1993. Name of person appointing the administrative receivers: National Westminster Bank plc. Joint Administrative Receivers: Alan John Barrett and Michael David Gercke (office holder nos: 1095 and 2360). Address: No 1 London Bridge London SE1 9QL.

MAXWELL FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED
(In Administration)
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
A meeting of creditors of Maxwell Financial Services Limited will be held at Price Waterhouse, No 1 London Bridge, London SE1 9QL on 7 May 1993 at 11.00 am under the provisions of Section 23 of the Insolvency Act 1986. The purpose of the meeting is to consider the administrators' proposals and, if creditors wish to do so, to appoint a committee of creditors.
J G A Phillips,
Joint Administrator.
19 April 1993

NOTICE TO THE CREDITORS OF DOMINION INTERNATIONAL GROUP PLC (IN LIQUIDATION)
On 6 April 1993 following the discharge of the administration order made for the company by the High Court I made a winding up order and appointed AM Homan and I MD Carter of Price Waterhouse, No 1 London Bridge, London SE1 9QL as its liquidators.
Creditors of the company are requested to send details in writing of their claims against the company to the liquidators at the above address. The claims must be made on a form 4.25 which will be provided by the liquidators on request.
The liquidators reserve their right to require a creditor to support his or her claim by affidavit.
Dated: 15.4.93
A M Homan, Joint Liquidator

Notice of appointment of Administrative Receiver
EATON PROPERTIES LIMITED
Registered number: 477642.
Trading name: Eaton Properties Limited. Nature of business: Sale of Flats Forming Part of Freehold Property. Trade classification: 35. Date of appointment of administrative receivers: 15 April 1993. Name of person appointing the administrative receivers: National Westminster Bank plc. Joint Administrative Receivers: Alan John Barrett and Michael David Gercke (office holder nos: 1095 and 2360). Address: No 1 London Bridge London SE1 9QL.

FINANCIAL NOTICES

ROBECO GROUP

ROBECO N.V.
(investment company with a variable capital)
Robeco N.V. announce a cash dividend of Fls 3.52 per ordinary share of Fls 10 (Fls 0.352 per sub-share) for the financial year 1992.
BEARER SHARE WARRANTS WITH COUPONS ATTACHED
Coupon No 91 accompanied by the appropriate claim form should be presented to the Company's Paying Agents, National Westminster Bank PLC, Stock Office Services, Basement, Juno Court, 24 Prescot Street, London, E1 8BB, on business days between the hours of 10.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. Claims must be submitted by personal presentation. Postal applications cannot be accepted.
The dividend will be payable at Fls 3.52 per share, less tax as appropriate, as from 29 April 1993, against surrender of Coupon No. 91.
Coupons presented by, or on behalf of, shareholders who are subject to United Kingdom Income Tax will be subject to Netherlands Dividend Tax at the rate of 15% and United Kingdom Income Tax at the rate of 5% on the gross dividend. Forms 92 VK will not be required in respect of claims lodged within six months of the payment date. Coupon No. 91 presented on or after 29 October 1993 must be accompanied by a completed Form 92 VK duly certified by the individual shareholder's Inspector of Taxes.
If the coupons presented are accompanied by the appropriate certified Forms 92 signed by residents of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, The Federal Republic of Germany, Indonesia (reduction to 20% only), The Republic of Ireland, Israel, Japan, Luxembourg, The Netherlands Antilles, New Zealand, Norway, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, Sweden (reduction to 20% only), Sweden or the United States of America, Netherlands Dividend Tax amounting to 15% will be withheld. Forms 92 VS must be submitted in duplicate, signed by the applicant, but need not be authorised by the U.S. Inspector of Taxes.
Residents of Switzerland can apply for a partial refund by submitting a Form R.N. 1 to the Dutch Fiscal Authorities. This form can be obtained from the Eidgenossische Steuerverwaltung, Bern. Reduction to 15%.
Residents of Italy can have a full refund by submitting Form 92 IT, certified by their local Tax Inspector, to the Inspector of Corporation Tax, Wilnest Street, 2-4, Amsterdam with the relevant dividend note.
In all other cases Netherlands Dividend Tax at 25% will be deducted from the Gross dividend.
Exemption from United Kingdom Income Tax may be claimed by lodging the usual affidavit certifying non-residence in the United Kingdom.
SUB-SHARE CERTIFICATES REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK (NOMINEES) LIMITED
United Kingdom Banks and Members of the Stock Exchange should lodge the special claim form with the National Westminster Bank PLC, Stock Office Services, Basement, Juno Court, 24 Prescot Street, London, E1 8BB.
Payment of the dividend must be marked on the reverse side of the certificate in accordance with 'Marking Name' procedures.
Other claimants must also complete the special claim form and present this at the above address together with the relevant certificate(s) for marking by the National Westminster Bank PLC.
All claims must be submitted by personal presentation. Postal applications cannot be accepted.
Income Tax requirements will be as shown above for Bearer Share Warrants.
The Record Date is 20 April 1993.
Payment will be made by National Provincial Bank (Nominees) Limited on or after 29 April 1993 and will be subject to Marking Name commission.
CONVERSION OF DUTCH CURRENCY
The Dutch currency will be converted into sterling on 20 April 1993. A further announcement will be made shortly giving full sterling details of the dividend in respect of Fls 10 ordinary shares and Fls 1 sub-shares.
SHAREHOLDERS IN THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND
Approved Agents in the Republic of Ireland may present coupons to the Company's Paying Agents there, Allied Irish Banks PLC, Registrar's and New Issues Department, Bankcentre, P O Box 954, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4.
Claims on sub-share certificates registered in the name of The Munster and Leinster Bank Nominees Limited should be lodged with Allied Irish Banks PLC, Registrar's and New Issues Department, Bankcentre, P O Box 954, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4.
21 April 1993

ROLINCO N.V.
(investment company with a variable capital)
Rolinco N.V. announce a cash dividend of Fls 3.04 per ordinary share of Fls 10 (Fls 0.304 per sub-share) for the financial year 1992.
BEARER SHARE WARRANTS WITH COUPONS ATTACHED
Coupon No 34 accompanied by the appropriate claim form should be presented to the Company's Paying Agents, National Westminster Bank PLC, Stock Office Services, Basement, Juno Court, 24 Prescot Street, London, E1 8BB, on business days between the hours of 10.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. Claims must be submitted by personal presentation. Postal applications cannot be accepted.
The dividend will be payable at Fls 3.04 per share, less tax as appropriate, as from 29 April 1993, against surrender of Coupon No. 34.
Coupons presented by, or on behalf of, shareholders who are subject to United Kingdom Income Tax will be subject to Netherlands Dividend Tax at the rate of 15% and United Kingdom Income Tax at the rate of 5% on the gross dividend. Forms 92 VK will not be required in respect of claims lodged within six months of the payment date. Coupon No 34 presented on or after 29 October 1993 must be accompanied by a completed Form 92 VK duly certified by the individual shareholder's Inspector of Taxes.
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21 April 1993

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A NEW PROVISIONAL JUSTICES' OFF LICENCE
WE, ERIC GANDON now residing at 203 Miles Buildings, Penfold Place, London NW1 6RP having during the past six months carried on the trade or calling of office and shop manager in the employment of Nicolas U.K. Limited and THIERRY PECHIN now residing at 73 Hartington Court, Lansdowne Way, London SW8 2ED having during the past six months carried on the trade or calling of wine merchant do hereby give notice that it is our intention to apply at the licensing meeting for the said district to be held at The Richmond Magistrates' Court, Parkshot, Richmond, Surrey on the 6th day of May next for the grant to us of a provisional justices' licence authorising us to sell by retail (including liquor of all descriptions for consumption off the premises situate at 11 Sheen Road, Richmond, and to be known as "Nicolas" of which premises Andrew Martin Limited of 7-11 Sheen Road, Richmond TW9 1AD is the owner.
Dated this 8th day of March 1993.
CHRISTOPHER JOHN WRIGHT
Partner in the firm of Warner Cranston, Solicitors agent of ERIC GANDON and THIERRY PECHIN

Bodycote increases dividend as profits rise

BODYCOTE International, whose metal technology division now accounts for 65 per cent of group profits, reported pre-tax profits of £13.6 million (£11.5 million) on a turnover of £80.3 million (£66.5 million) for the year ended December 31, and is raising the year's dividend from 9.25p to 10p a share. In March 1992, the group bought the Industrial Materials Technology group for £8.6 million, bringing with it hot isostatic pressing plants in America and Belgium. Bodycote said IMT had performed well.

The group says the increased competitiveness of UK exports following sterling's departure from the ERM has resulted in an encouraging upturn in the general level of demand for services. A one-for-one capitalisation issue is proposed.

Brunei deal

Tarmac, the construction group, is a member of a consortium which has won an £85 million contract to build a 100-megawatt gas-turbine power station in Brunei, to be completed by early 1995. The consortium includes America's General Electric Co and TBV Power, a turnkey contracting company owned by Tarmac.

CU optimism

Losses from violent winter storms in the US and bad weather in the UK will not have a major impact on Commercial Union's first quarter results due in May, shareholders heard yesterday. Tony Brend, chief executive, said the company had contained the effects of the losses which followed some of the worse storms in eastern America this century. The company will be able to take advantage of higher premiums in the UK and elsewhere, and the decision by other insurance firms to not offer cover for certain types of business, Mr Brend told the annual meeting.

The insurance giant recently announced 1992 results showing pre-tax profits of £31.4 million against a £68.6 million loss last time.

UAP falls

Shares in Union des Assurances de Paris, the French insurer, requoted sharply lower after a suspension for the market to digest its poor 1992 results and dividend cut, setting a new day's lows. UAP posted a 71 per cent drop in 1992 net to 1.08 billion francs, which was towards the bottom end of market forecasts. It gave the market a nasty shock by shaving its net dividend to 8 francs from 11. UAP had warned last February that 1992 net attributable profit would be between 1 billion and 1.3 billion francs.

STOCK MARKET

Bargain hunters give drug shares a shot in the arm

THE bargain hunters were out in force, chasing prices higher in thin conditions having taken the view that the recent shake-out had been overdone.

Fund managers have been holding fire for some time knowing much of their liquidity in the months ahead will be absorbed by the bond market, BT 3, the Zenenca rights issue and various other new issues.

But there is an absence of sellers at present which has added to the problems of market-makers with little or no stock on their books.

Brokers said yesterday's flurry of activity had been generated by bargain hunters targeting shares which have been left behind in recent weeks. As a result, the FT-SE 100 index ended the session near its best of the day up 26.1 at 2,856.1. Turnover was on the low side with only 543 million shares traded.

The pharmaceutical sector has certainly been ignored lately but attracted support yesterday. **SmithKline Beecham** rose 12p to 444p after first quarter figures in line with expectations, while cheap buying lifted **Glaxo** 17p to 580p. **Wellcome** added 32p to 734p on the decision to pool its Aids research with other companies in order to find an effective treatment.

James Capel, the broker, left its mark on **English China Clays** with the price falling 5p to 434p. Capel is said to have cut its pre-tax profit forecast for the current year by almost 12 per cent to £83 million and for 1994 by about 8 per cent to £100 million.

Heavy switching was reported in stores as investors took an interest in companies that will benefit from economic revival. Top of their list was Boots, up 11p at 486p, and **Dixons**, 13p better at 211p, both at the expense of **Kingfisher**, just 5p higher at 592p.

Allied-Lyons climbed 19p to 569p amid speculation that the group was close to announcing details of a joint venture with Bass for their off-license chains. It is thought the new company would be worth £150 million.

British Aerospace jumped 11p to 299p with stockbroker Henderson Crosthwaite continuing to push the shares. By contrast rival Warburg Securities is reckoned to have gone on the bear tack. But there was further selling of **Eurotunnel** as the dispute with the contractors building the project continued to rumble on. The shares fell 6p to 434p.

All the recent bid speculation bolstering **Hammerson** shares evaporated after the group cut the final dividend by half to 10p. This co-incided with a drop in pre-tax profits from £55.5 million to £31 million and a fall in the net asset value from 637p to 445p a share. The 'A' shares were 14p lower at 306p andthe ordinary off 6p at 338p.

But there was positive news for **Abbey National** shareholders who were told by chairman Sir Christopher Tugendhat at the annual meeting that the group had made a good start to this year. Home loan demand and mortgage arrears were improving and there had been a 60 per cent rise in mortgage approvals during the first quarter. The shares responded with a rise of 15p to 393p.

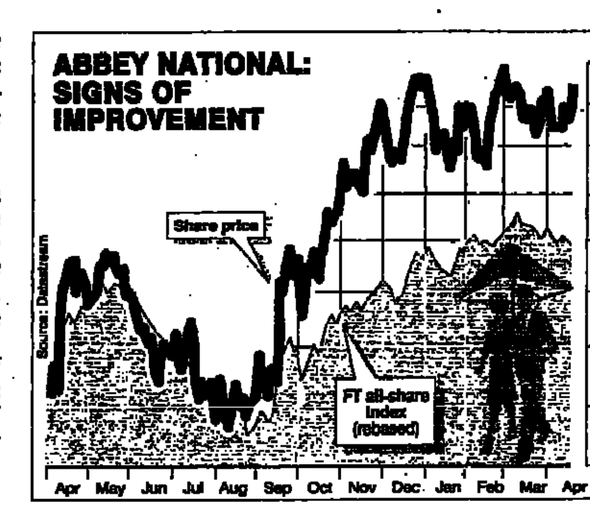
His comments also cheered some of the insurance companies with big mortgage indemnity business. These included **Royal Insurance**, up 7p at 316p, **Sun Alliance**, 8p up at 337p, and **Legal & General**, 7p higher at 462p.

The rest of the banks continued to benefit from a bullish survey by Smith New Court, the broker. Michael Lever, its analyst, urges clients to remain overweight of the sector and believes dividend prospects are excellent. There were gains for **Bank of Scotland**, 8p to 133½p, **Barclays**, 13p to 427p, **Lloyds**, 12p to 537p, **Royal Bank of Scotland**, 2p to 259p, and **Standard Chartered**, 13p to 740p. **National Westminster** also responded to news of record first quarter profits at NatWest Bancorp, its US subsidiary, with an 11p rise to 472p.

Elsewehere in financials, **Commercial Union** eased 2p to 618p despite re-assuring the City it had not been adversely affected in the first quarter by heavy claims from adverse weather conditions in both Britain and the US.

Delta Group jumped 17p to 485p on talk of a buy recommendation from Kleinwort Benson, the broker. Companies such as Delta are seen as gaining full advantage of the economic recovery.

MICHAEL CLARK



American investors have taken a shine to WPP Group, the debt-laden advertising agency, following a presentation in the US on Monday night. The group was clearly seeing the benefits of the move yesterday as the price climbed 6p to 66p, with an impressive 10 million shares changing hands.

IBM profits tumble as European sales fall

FROM PHILIP ROBINSON IN NEW YORK

IBM sank further into the red this year as computer sales in Europe, until now one of its most resilient markets, dropped 13.8 per cent.

Louis Gerstner, the new chairman and former RJR Nabisco chief, said sales of mainframe computers had dropped significantly, and that the group had been hit by the price war in personal computers. He warned it would be some time before parts of IBM became profitable.

Worldwide sales for the first three months of 1993 dropped 7 per cent to $13.1 billion. IBM, which earns two-thirds of its profits outside the US, lost $285 million compared with a profit of $642 for the same period a year ago. Results were worse than Wall Street had expected, and pessimists now forecast IBM job cuts will have to rise significantly above the 25,000 already announced for 1993.

The Dow Jones Industrial index weakened in early trading in response to corporate misery and a profits warning from Philip Morris, the tobacco and food giant. Shares fell further yesterday as Michael Miles, chairman, warned the 10 per cent rise in first quarter profits to $1.22 billion, should not be taken as an indication for the full year. He said US tobacco operating profits — which account for three-quarters of the total — could be up to 40 per cent down this year.

Citicorp, America's largest bank, doubled operating profits to $370 million in the first quarter and tripled net income to $670 million after a tax credit. The bank almost tripled profits in securities trading and made $240 million in the currency markets, up 30 per cent over the same period a year ago.

WALL STREET

New York — Wall Street shares were lower in late morning trading and analysts said that there was little impetus for the stock market to go much higher. The Dow Jones industrial average was down 12.43 points to 3,454.56 after briefly regaining lost ground.

☐ **Tokyo** — The Nikkei average closed below 20,000 for the first time since April 12. Continuing concern about the surging yen discouraged potential buyers, brokers said. The Nikkei was down 283.91 points at 19,828.43.

☐ **Hong Kong** — Share prices closed down for the fourth consecutive day in quiet trading, brokers said. The Hang Seng index ended 41.61 points, or 0.62 per cent, lower at 6,638.54.

☐ **Singapore** — The Straits Times industrial index closed at 1,763.07, down 8.95 points from Monday's closing high.

☐ **Sydney** — The all-ordinaries index closed, up 7.2 points, at 1703.6.

Frankfurt — The Dax index closed, down 6.19 points, at 1,687.11. *(Reuter)*

	Apr 20 midday	Apr 19 close
AMP Inc	60	60
AMR Corp	66	66
Abbott Labs	26	26
Aetna Life	51	51
Ahmanson (HF)	18	18
Air Prod & Chem	42	43
Albertson's	54	55
Alcan Alumnm	18	18
Alco Standard	46	46
Allied Signal	68	69
Alum Co of Am	64	63
Amax	16	16
Amerada Hess	54	54
Amer Brands	31	31
Amer Cyanamid	51	51
Amer El Power	38	38
Amer Express	28	28
Amer Genl Corp	30	31
Amer Home Pr	66	66
Amer Intl	129	131
Amer Stores	40	40
Amer T & T	58	59
Ameritech	79	79
Amoco	58	58
Anheuser-Busch	49	50
Apple Computer	48	48
Archer Daniels	24	24
Arkla	9	9
Armco	7	6
Armstrng Wrld	33	33
Asarco	20	20
Ashland Oil	26	26
Atl Richfield	125	125
Auto Data Pro	47	48
Avery Dennison	30	30
Avon Products	57	58
Baker Hughes	26	27
Baltim Gas & El	25	25
Banc One	58	58
BankAmerica	50	51
Bank of NY	57	58
Bankers Tr NY	76	77
Barnett Banks	46	47
Bausch & Lomb	49	49
Baxter Intl	29	29
Bectn Dicknsn	34	34
Bell Atlantic	54	54
BellSouth	56	56
Black & Decker	17	18
Block (H&R)	33	33
Boeing	37	37
Boise Cascade	25	25
Borden Inc	25	25
Bristol Myrs Sq	61	60
Browning Ferris	27	27
Burlington Nthn	58	58
CBS	238	238
CNA Financial	100	100
CPC Intl	41	41
CSX	79	76
Campbell Soup	38	38
Can Pacific	16	16
Cptl Cities ABC	543	542
Cptl Holdings	82	83
Carolina Pwr	33	33
Caterpillar	61	62
Central & SW	33	33
Champion Intl	33	32
Chase Manhat	33	34
Chemical Bk	39	40
Chevron Corp	83	83
Chrysler	41	42
Chubb Corp	93	93
Cigna Corp	63	63
Citicorp	28	29
Clorox	47	48
Coastal Corp	27	27
Coca Cola	38	38
Colgate-Palmolive	57	57
Columbia Gas	23	23
Commonw Ed	29	29
Compaq Cmptr	50	49
Comp Ass Intl	22	22
Conagra	24	24
Cons Edison	36	36
Cons Nat Gas	49	49
Cons Rail	59	59
Cooper Inds	49	48
Corning Inc	34	34
Crown Cork	38	39
Dana Corp	49	49
Dayton Hudson	74	75
Deere	57	57
Delta Air Lines	56	56
Deluxe Corp	47	47
Detroit Edison	35	35
Digital Equip	43	42
Dillard Dept St	37	37
Disney (Walt)	42	41
Dominion Res	44	44
Donelley (RR)	28	28
Dover Corp	49	49
Dow Chemicals	52	51
Dow Jones	31	31
Dresser	21	21
Duke Power	40	40
Dun & Bradstreet	60	59
Du Pont	52	52
Eastman Kodak	55	55
Eaton Corp	90	92

	Apr 20 midday	Apr 19 close
Emerson Elec	59	60
Engelhard Corp	35	36
Enron Corp	59	60
Entergy Corp	36	37
Ethyl Corp	29	29
Exxon	67	67
FMC Corp	45	45
FPL Group	37	37
Federal Express	52	53
Fed Nat Mtge	80	81
First Chicago	41	42
First Interstate	58	59
First Union Rlty	12	12
Fleet Finl Grp	34	35
Fluor Corp	43	42
Ford Motor	54	54
GTE Corp	36	35
Gannett	53	53
Gap Inc Del	28	29
Gen Cinema	35	35
Gen Dynamics	96	96
Gen Electric	94	95
Gen Mills	65	65
Gen Motors	39	39
Gen Reinsurance	122	123
Gen Signal	62	63
Genuine Parts	34	34
Georgia Pac	66	66
Gillette	49	48
Glaxo ADR	18	17
Goodrich (BF)	47	47
Goodyear Tire	75	76
Grace (W&R)	40	40
Gt Atl Pac Tea	28	29
Great Wstn Fin	17	17
Halliburton	39	39
Heinz (HJ)	36	37
Hercules	75	76
Hershey Foods	52	52
Hewlett Packard	73	73
Hilton Hotels	45	46
Home Depot	40	41
Homestake	14	14
Honeywell	33	33
Household Intl	72	72
Houston Inds	47	47
Humana	8	7
ITT Corp	82	83
Illinois Tool	74	74
INCO	23	23
Ingersoll Rand	32	32
Inland Steel	23	22
Intel Corp	101	97
IBM	49	49
Intl Flav & Fr	113	113
Intl Paper	66	65
James River Va	19	19
Jhnsn & Jhnsn	42	41
K Mart	22	22
Kellogg	57	56
Kerr-McGee	48	49
Kimberly-Clark	47	47
Knight-Ridder	57	58
Lilly (Eli)	46	46
Limited Inc	23	23
LIN Brdcstng	81	81
Lincoln Nat	82	82
Litton	59	59
Liz Claiborne	35	35
Lockheed Corp	64	64
Louisiana Pac	75	75
MCI Commun	46	47
Marriott	25	25
Marsh & McLnn	93	94
Martin Marietta	74	74
Masco Corp	32	32
May Dept St	71	72
Maytag Corp	13	13
McCaw Cellular	35	36
McDonalds	47	47
McDonnell D	59	59
McGraw Hill	62	62
Mead Corp	45	43
Medtronic	64	64
Mellon Bk	61	61
Melville Corp	44	44
Merck Inc	36	35
Merrill Lynch	74	75
Minnesota Mine	114	115
Mobil Corp	69	69
Monsanto	55	54
Morgan (JP)	72	73
Motorola Inc	72	70
Natl Medical	7	7
Natl Semi	13	13
Natl Service Ind	25	25
Navistar Int	2	2
NBD Bancorp	35	35
NY Times A	29	29
Newmont Mng	42	41
Niag Mohawk	22	22
Nike B	70	71
NL Industries	5	5
Nordstrom	30	29
Norfolk Sthrn	66	66
Nthn State Pwr	46	46
Norwest Corp	51	52
Nynex Corp	89	88
Occidental Pet	22	22
Ohio Edison	25	25

	Apr 20 midday	Apr 19 close
Oracle Systems	32	32
Oryx Energy Co	24	24
PNC Financial	35	35
PPG Industries	74	74
Paccar Inc	64	65
Pacificorp	18	18
Pac Enterprises	24	24
Pac Gas & Elect	34	34
Pac Telesis	48	49
Pall Corp	19	20
Panhandle East	22	23
Paramnt Comm	50	50
Parker Hannifin	29	29
Penney (JC)	82	82
Pennzoil	61	61
Pepsico	36	36
Pfizer	62	61
Phelps Dodge	43	44
Philadel Elec	30	30
Philip Morris	48	48
Phillips Pet	30	30
Pitney Bowes	41	42
Polaroid	28	28
Price Co	29	29
Primerica	45	46
Procter & Gmbl	47	47
Pub Serv E & G	34	34
Quaker Oats	63	63
Ralston Purina	46	47
Raychem Corp	40	40
Raytheon	58	59
Reebok Intl	34	33
Reynolds Metals	45	45
Roadway Srvcs	60	60
Rockwell Intl	34	33
Rohm & Haas	60	60
Royal Dutch	90	90
Rubbermaid	32	31
Safeco Corp	63	63
St Paul's Cos	81	81
Salomon Inc	38	38
Santa Fe S Pac	15	15
Sara Lee Corp	25	25
Scecorp	48	48
Schering Plough	63	62
Schlumberger	64	65
Scott Paper	34	35
Seagram	28	28
Sears Roebuck	53	53
Shell Trans	54	54
Sherwin Wlms	33	33
Skyline Corp	20	20
Snap-On-Tools	33	33
Southern Co	44	44
Sthwestern Bell	81	80
Sprint Corp	32	32
Stanley Works	47	47
Sun Company	23	23
Suntrust	47	47
Supervalu	31	31
Syntex Corp	19	18
Sysco Corp	22	22
TRW Inc	67	67
Tandem Comp	11	11
Tandy Corp	29	29
Telecom Corp	2	2
Teledyne	20	20
Temple Inland	44	45
Tenneco	48	48
Texaco	63	64
Texas Inst	54	53
Texas Utilities	46	47
Textron	48	48
Time Warner	33	34
Times-Mirror	31	31
Timken	30	29
Torchmark	58	58
Toys R Us	38	38
Transamerica	53	54
Travelers Corp	30	30
Tribune	56	55
Tyco Labs	44	44
UAL Corp	142	141
UST Inc	28	28
USX Marathon	18	19
Unilever NV	117	116
Union Camp	45	45
Union Carbide	19	19
Union Pacific	63	64
Unisys Corp	12	12
USAIR Group	22	23
USF&G Corp	19	19
US Life	38	37
US West	44	43
United Tech	50	50
Unocal Corp	31	31
Upjohn	29	29
VF Corp	50	51
Wal-Mart Stores	26	26
Warner-Lambert	73	72
Waste Mgmnt Inc	31	33
Wells Fargo	116	119
Westinghouse El	15	15
Weyerhaeuser	44	44
Whirlpool	54	54
Whitman	13	12
Winn Dixie	55	55
Woolworth	29	30
Wrigley (Wm) Jr	30	31
Xerox	79	79

BRITISH FUNDS

INVESTORS spent a nervous session on the bond market with prices dragged lower before eventually closing above their worst.

On the futures market, the June series of the long gilt touched a low for the day of £105³/₁₆ following worse than expected PSBR figures and before details of the latest auction. The Bank of England plans to raise an extra £3 billion with the issue of short-dated stock Treasury 7¼ per cent 'A' 1998. The fact that the Bank had not used the opportunity to raise even more was greeted with relief. The future closed only one tick lower at £105¹¹/₁₆ with 26,000 contracts completed.

The shorter end benefited from the Bank's proposals with Exchequer 9¾ per cent 1998 adding seven ticks at £110³/₈, while at the longer end Treasury 9 per cent 2012 firmed three ticks at £105⁹/₁₆.

1993 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Gre red yld
		SHORTS (under 5 years)				
103	101	Treas 12¼% 1993	101	...	12.31	5.79
100	99	Fund 6% 1993	100	...	6.00	5.74
106	104	Treas 13¾% 1993	104 †	...	13.16	5.91
102	101	Treas 8¼% 1994	101	...	8.34	5.89
109	106	Treas 14½% 1994	107	...	13.55	5.93
109	107	Exch 13½% 1994	107 †	...	12.58	5.98
105	104	Treas 10% 1994	104	...	9.60	6.12
110	107	Exch 12¼% 1994	108	+	11.57	6.22
105	103	Treas 9% 1994	104 †	...	8.65	6.28
111	109	Treas 12% 1995	109	...	11.00	6.43
96	94	Gas 3% 1990-95	96 †	...	3.12	5.06
109	107	Exch 10¼% 1995	107	...	9.52	6.50
116	114	Treas 12¾% 1995	114 †	...	11.16	6.60
120	117	Treas 14% 1996	117	+	11.87	6.72
125	122	Treas 15¼% 1996	122 †	+	12.44	6.85
120	116	Exch 13¼% 1996	117 †	+	11.29	6.85
111	109	Conv 10% 1996	109 †	+	9.11	6.84
122	119	Treas 13¼% 1997	120	+	11.04	7.04
113	110	Exch 10½% 1997	111	+	9.42	6.99
108	105	Treas 8¾% 1997	106	+	8.22	6.95
132	128	Exch 15% 1997	129 †	+	11.59	7.23
112	109	Exch 9¾% 1998	110	+	8.84	7.13
		MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)				
103	99	Treas 7¼% 1998	101	+	7.16	6.92
101	97	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	99 †	+	6.78	6.83
138	134	Treas 15½% 1998	135	-	11.43	7.42
122	118	Exch 12% 1998	119 †	+	10.01	7.55
112	108	Treas 9½% 1999	109	+	8.65	7.35
124	120	Exch 12¼% 1999	121	+	10.05	7.60
117	113	Treas 10½% 1999	114 †	+	9.16	7.46
117	112	Conv 10¼% 1999	114 †	+	8.98	7.50
110	106	Conv 9% 2000	108	-	8.32	7.44
131	125	Treas 13% 2000	128	-	10.16	7.85
115	109	Treas 10% 2001	112	-	8.87	7.78
129	125	Treas 14% 1998-01	126 †	+	11.05	7.58
114	108	Treas 9¾% 2002	111	-	8.72	7.91
103	97	Treas 8% 2003	101	-	7.92	7.83
116	109	Treas 10% 2003	113	-	8.80	8.02

1993 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Gre red yld
122	116	Treas 11½% 2001-04	119	-	9.60	8.05
74	67	Fund 3½% 1999-04	71	+	4.90	7.27
112	105	Conv 9½% 2004	110 †	-	8.63	8.11
112	105	Conv 9½% 2005	110	-	8.63	8.15
131	124	Treas 12½% 2003-05	128 †	-	9.72	8.35
101	94	Treas 8% 2002-06	99	-	8.05	8.08
125	118	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	122	-	9.58	8.30
104	97	Treas 8½% 2007	102	-	8.32	8.23
139	131	Treas 13½% 2004-08	136	-	9.91	8.35
		LONGS (over 15 years)				
108	101	Treas 9% 2008	106 †	-	8.48	8.27
99	92	Treas 8% 2009	97	...	8.21	8.31
108	100	Conv 9% 2011	105	-	8.54	8.40
108	100	Treas 9% 2012	105	-	8.54	8.41
76	70	Treas 5½% 2008-12	74	-	7.35	8.09
97	89	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	94	-	8.23	8.34
135	125	Exch 12% 2013-17	131	-	9.09	8.62
105	97	Treas 8¾% 2017	102	-	8.52	8.47
		UNDATED				
48	43	Consols 4%	46	-	8.58	...
42	38	War LN 3½%	40	-	8.59	...
63	60	Conv 3½%	62	...	5.62	...
31	28	Consols 2½%	30	-	8.19	...
30	27	Treas 2½%	29	-	8.47	...
		INDEX-LINKED				
133	131	Treas IL 2% 1994	133 †	...	...	0.87
197	194	Treas IL 2% 1996	198	...	1.62	2.44
109	105	Treas IL 4⅝% 1998	108 †	+	2.10	2.72
166	159	Treas IL 2½% 2001	165	-	2.66	3.05
163	155	Treas IL 2½% 2003	162 †	-	2.82	3.12
111	105	Treas IL 4⅜% 2004	110 †	-	2.96	3.26
170	159	Treas IL 2% 2006	169	-	2.99	3.22
154	144	Treas IL 2½% 2009	152 †	-	3.31	3.43
159	148	Treas IL 2½% 2011	157	-	3.28	3.47
131	122	Treas IL 2½% 2013	129	-	3.35	3.52
139	130	Treas IL 2½% 2016	137	-	3.41	3.58
133	124	Treas IL 2½% 2020	132	-	3.47	3.61
111	102	Treas IL 2½% 2024	109	-	3.51	3.64
111	103	Treas IL 4⅛% 2030	109	-	3.52	3.66

MAJOR CHANGES

RISES:

Abbey National	395p (+17p)
Barclays	427p (+13p)
Lloyds	538p (+13p)
Standard Chart	740p (+17p)
Allied Lyons	569p (+19p)
Delta	485p (+18p)
Oriflame Intl	215p (+16p)
Dixons Group	211p (+13p)
J Laing	252p (+14p)
Wellcome	734p (+32p)
Liberty Life	849p (+46p)
Sappi	368p (+18p)
Avonside	133p (+13p)
Carlton Comm	750p (+13p)
J Billam	240p (+23p)
RMC Group	661p (+12p)
Church	350p (+25p)

FALLS:

Whitbread 'B'	875p (-10p)
Swire Pacific 'A'	307p (-10p)
Hammerson	331p (-23p)
Euro Disney	918p (-65p)

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RECENT ISSUES

Anglo United Warrants	½	...
Brown (D) (170)	217	...
David Lloyd Leisure (150)	173	+2
Flmng Emrg Mkts (100)	103	...
For & Col US Slr Cos (100)	102	...
For & Col US Slr Wts	41	...
Hambros Ins Serv (138)	145	...
Holliday Chemical (195)	210	+1
Pilot Inv Trust (100)	97½	...
Pilot Inv Wts	27	...
Qlty Software Prods (380)	478	-1
Wstmnstr Hlthcre (260.)	288	+2
Yorkshire Food (110)	135	+4

RIGHTS ISSUES

Atlas Convrtg Eqp n/p (550)	115	...
Bemrose n/p (265)	64	+2
Bilston & Battersea n/p (20)	9	...
Channel Hldgs n/p (23)	1½	...

FT-SE VOLUMES

ASDA Gp	8,100	Carlton Cm	2,200	Land Secs	857	Scot Hydro	749
Abbey Natl	3,700	Coats Vly	1,000	Legal & Gn	949	Scot & New	1,100
Alld-Lyons	1,600	Cm Union	391	Lloyds Bk	2,800	Scot Power	773
Anglian W	1,400	Courtaulds	172	MB Cardn	1,400	Sears	3,400
Argyll Gp	2,600	De La Rue	270	Marks Spr	5,900	Svrn Trent	2,100
Arjo Wiggn	2,300	Eng China	1,100	NFC	1,200	Shell Trans	3,100
AB Foods	2,200	Enterpr Oil	1,600	NatWst Bk	5,200	Siebe	1,900
BAA	999	Fisons	3,000	Nat Power	1,600	SmKl Bch	1,900
BAT Inds	1,900	Forte	1,200	Nth Wst W	2,100	Smith Nph	2,000
BOC	820	GRE	1,300	Nthrn Fds	1,700	Sthrn Elec	880
BP	6,500	GUS A	752	P & O	413	Std Chartd	1,000
BT	9,500	Gen Acc	490	Pearson	2,400	Sun Allnce	2,500
BTR	2,900	Gen Elec	5,900	PowerGen	1,700	TI Gp	958
Bk of Scot	4,500	Glaxo	4,700	Prudential	1,900	TSB	4,000
Barclays	4,900	Granada	3,000	RTZ	1,900	Tate & Lyle	1,100
Bass	1,300	Grand Met	4,100	Rank Org	1,000	Tesco	5,800
Blue Circle	1,600	Guinness	2,000	Reckitt Col	362	Thames W	1,300
Boots	3,900	HSBC	2,600	Redland	1,200	Thrn EMI	1,100
Bowater	593	Hanson	10,000	Reed Intl	809	Tomkins	1,900
Brit Airwys	2,300	ICI	1,300	Rentokil	244	Unilever	819
Brit Gas	9,500	Inchcape	730	Reuters	687	Utd Bisc	997
Brit Steel	6,000	Kingfisher	1,900	Rothmans	168	Vodafone	1,600
Burmah Cstrl	104	Kwik Save	428	Ryl Ins	3,100	Wellcome	1,500
Cable Wire	814	LASMO	4,900	Ryl Bk Scot	5,600	Whitbd 'A'	874
Cadbury	1,300	Ladbroke	1,700	Sainsbury	1,700	Wlms Hld	1,600

MAJOR INDICES

New York (midday):
Dow Jones .... 3454.29 (-12.70)
S&P Composite .... 445.85 (-1.61)

Tokyo:
Nikkei Av'ge .... 19828.43 (-283.91)

Hong Kong:
Hang Seng .... 6638.54 (-41.61)

Amsterdam:
CBS Tendency .... 110.3 (-0.3)

Sydney: AO .... 1703.6 (+7.2)

Frankfurt:
DAX .... 1687.11 (-6.19)

FT 30 share: .... 2225.0 (+16.3)

Brussels:
General .... 6302.74 (+5.87)

Paris: CAC .... 532.20 (-7.08)

Zurich: SKA Gen .... n/a

London:
FT A All-Share .... 1399.20 (+11.77)
FT 500 .... 1526.47 (+12.63)
FT Gold Mines .... 121.5 (+9.4)
FT Fixed Interest .... 111.80 (-0.09)
FT Govt Secs .... 95.89 (-0.19)
Bargains 27514
SEAQ Volume 543.4m
USM (Datastrm) .... 131.82 (-0.43)

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings April 5 — Last Dealings April 16 — Last Declaration July 15 — For Settlement July 26

Call options were taken out on 20/4/93: Asda, Aviva Pet, Casket, Expamet, Hanson Wts, Hartstone, Lucas Wts, Mid-States, A Proudfoot, Regalian, Sleepy Kids. **Puts:** BM pref, Blenheim, Halma, Ratners, TI Group, Tarmac. **Puts & Calls:** BM pref, Gresham Tel, Hanson Wts, Mid-States.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Period	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume
FT-SE 100 (Previous open interest: 43193)	Jun 93	2844.0	2875.0	2844.0	2871.0	11059
	Sep 93				2892.0	0
Three Month Sterling (Previous open interest: 307297)	Jun 93	93.92	93.99	93.92	93.95	12685
	Sep 93	93.88	93.98	93.88	93.94	17998
	Dec 93	93.77	93.87	93.77	93.83	7169
Three Mth Eurodollar (Previous open interest: 17492)	Jun 93	96.77	96.77	96.76	96.77	350
	Sep 93	96.66	96.67	96.65	96.67	159
Three Mth Euro DM (Previous open interest: 504379)	Jun 93	92.73	92.74	92.66	92.68	33351
	Sep 93	93.62	93.64	93.51	93.53	25538
US Treasury Bond (Previous open interest: 1)	Jun 93				112-01	0
	Sep 93				110-24	0
Long Gilt (Previous open interest: 66742)	Jun 93	105-24	105-26	105-06	105-22	34126
	Sep 93				104-27	0
Japanese Govmt Bond	Jun 93	109.25	109.34	109.21	109.25	1512
	Sep 93	108.48	108.53	108.48	108.50	33
German Govmt Bond (Previous open interest: 143451)	Jun 93	96.34	96.37	96.04	96.06	60797
	Sep 93	96.64	96.64	96.39	96.35	150
Three month ECU (Previous open interest: 18909)	Jun 93	91.80	91.81	91.72	91.72	874
	Sep 93	92.71	92.72	92.62	92.64	503
Euro Swiss Franc (Previous open interest: 34312)	Jun 93	95.36	95.36	95.26	95.27	10038
	Sep 93	95.75	95.75	95.68	95.68	923
Italian Govmt Bond (Previous open interest: 46872)	Jun 93	95.85	95.93	95.61	95.82	10212
	Sep 93				95.72	0

LIFFE OPTIONS

Series		Calls Jul	Oct	Jan	Puts Jul	Oct	Jan
Alld Lyon	500	65	72	81	10	15	24
(*566)	550	29	43	47	30	40	46
ASDA	67	9	12	-	5½	8	-
(*69)	76	4	7½	-	11	13	-
Bass	550	34	45	54	23	30	40
(*563)	600	14	26	32	57	62	72
Boots	460	43	55	61	12	18	23
(*485)	500	22	34	40	31	37	43
Br Airways	280	20	29	34	18	21	27
(*283)	300	12	20	25	29	33	37
BP	300	17	26	31	15	19	24
(*302)	330	7	14	18	34	38	41
Br Steel	90	10½	14	17	6½	10	12
(*92½)	100	5½	9	13	12	16	18
C & W	700	56	70	81	23	32	39
(*732½)	750	28	42	58	50	58	63
CU	580	60	65	-	11	21	-
(*617½)	629	30	38	-	31	44	-
Courtauld	550	31	45	54	25	35	42
(*560)	600	13	25	34	59	66	70
GKN	420	46	52	-	8	16	-
(*451½)	460	21	29	-	24	35	-
ICI	1150	87	100	127	35	59	69
(*1193½)	1200	59	75	100	58	85	94
Kingfishr	584	32	45	-	29	39	-
(*591½)	632	15	26	-	60	67	-
Land Sec	500	40	47	50	14	17	24
(*530)	550	12	19	27	43	45	51
M & S	330	30	38	46	9	13	16
(*353½)	360	12	22	29	24	27	31
Sainsbury	460	30	41	48	24	29	33
(*465½)	500	13	24	31	50	54	56
Shell	550	47	55	60	8	17	20
(*582½)	600	18	26	34	31	41	44
Smkl Bch	420	41	52	63	21	29	35
(*443½)	460	22	34	42	41	50	56
Storehse	180	26	31	34	8	12	16
(*198)	200	14	20	24	17	23	26
Trafalgar	83	12	16	-	6	8½	-
(*89)	92	7	10½	-	10½	14	-
Unilever	1100	65	89	104	25	36	43
(*1129½)	1150	37	62	76	50	60	67
Series		**Jul**	**Oct**	**Feb**	**Jul**	**Oct**	**Feb**
Grnd Met	420	26	35	41	19	28	33
(*420½)	460	11	19	26	50	55	61
Ladbroke	160	24	30	33	8½	15	18
(*171½)	180	13	20	24	21	26	30
Utd Bisc	360	40	50	57	12	19	23
(*380)	390	24	33	42	24	33	38

Series		Calls May	Aug	Nov	Puts May	Aug	Nov
BAA	750	34	47	62	9	28	35
(*772½)	800	9	24	37	38	56	63
BAT Ind	900	30	57	71	24	41	63
(*906)	950	10	35	49	50	71	93
BTR	600	24	40	51	7	19	31
(*616½)	650	4½	16	28	42	48	60
Br Aero	280	26	49	58	9	22	33
(*299)	300	16	35	48	17	33	44
Br Telcm	390	36	44	47	2	8	13
(*424½)	420	13	23	31	7½	19	26
Cadbury	460	23	36	46	8	16	25
(*470)	500	5	15	28	35	38	45
Guinness	460	35	50	60	4½	13	21
(*491)	500	11	26	39	20	30	39
GEC	300	22	30	33	2	9	12
(*322)	330	5½	11	17½	15	24	28
Hanson	220	17½	21	25	2	6½	10
(*235)	240	5	10	15	10	16	20
LASMO	140	15	22	28	5	10½	15
(*150½)	160	5	13	19	15	22	26
Lucas	130	8½	16	21	5½	10	16
(*132)	140	5	11	16	12	15½	22
P & O	550	19	40	52	15	29	49
(*553½)	600	5½	20	31	55	64	82
Pilkingtn	110	16	19	21	2	6½	9
(*127)	120	8	13	16	4	10	13
Prudential	330	11	22	29	8½	16	23
(*331)	360	2½	10	17	31	35	40
RTZ	600	60	77	90	4	12	21
(*658)	650	22	45	60	15	30	41
Scot New	460	13	24	31	14	32	38
(*461½)	500	3	10	17	45	60	65
Tesco	220	10	23	30	6	12	16
(*226)	240	4½	13	18	18	22	27
Thames W	500	33	40	45	4½	18	26
(*527½)	550	7	15	22	29	48	55
Vodafone	360	27	36	50	4	15	21
(*380)	390	9	21	34	18	30	35

FT-SE INDEX (*2855)

	2700	2750	2800	2850	2900	2950
Calls						
May	-	115	76	43	25	9
Jun	172	132	99	66	42	26
Jul	183	144	112	86	63	42
Aug	205	169	140	108	82	64
Dec	272	-	208	-	149	-
Puts						
May	7	13	23	44	76	116
Jun	18	28	42	60	91	127
Jul	28	40	56	78	105	140
Aug	42	52	69	94	115	145
Dec	73	-	112	-	156	-

Series		Calls Jun	Sep	Dec	Puts Jun	Sep	Dec
Abby Nat	360	40	47	54	4½	11	15
(*395)	390	19	28	37	13	23	29
Amstrad	30	7½	9	10½	2	3	3½
(*35½)	35	4	6	7	3½	5½	6
Barclays	390	43	55	64	7	17	23
(*427½)	420	23	37	48	18	30	37
Blue Circ	220	25	35	41	6½	13	17
(*238)	240	14	22	31	14	22	28
Br Gas	280	26	29	32	5½	9½	16
(*304½)	300	11	17	21	15	19	26
	330	2½	7	10	39	40	46
Dixons	180	32	36	41	4	10	14
(*210½)	200	18	23	30	11	19	25
Eurotnnl	420	40	68	82	20	35	42
(*433½)	460	25	45	60	42	57	68
Forte	180	19	27	30	6	11	16
(*193)	200	9	16	21	15	21	27
Glaxo	550	52	73	84	19	34	50
(*578½)	600	26	49	60	45	60	77
	650	12	30	43	82	93	112
HSBC	600	48	69	84	21	37	50
(*628½)	650	23	45	62	47	64	75
Hillsdwn	140	21	26	30	4	7	11
(*155)	160	8	15	19	13	17	21
Lonrho	80	10	13	16	5	8½	10
(*84)	90	5	8½	12	11	14	16
Reuter	1250	62	97	133	33	58	78
(*1272½)	1300	36	72	107	57	85	105
R-Royce	120	11	17	20	6½	10	14
(*124½)	130	6½	12	15	13	16	20
Sears	100	9	12	14	4½	8½	12
(*104)	110	4	7	9	12	14	15
Thm Emi	850	59	73	85	12	32	42
(*895)	900	28	46	60	32	57	65
TSB	160	27	31	34	3	6½	10
(*186½)	180	15	19	23	8½	15	18
Vaal Reefs	40	11	12	13	1½	3	4½
(*48)	45	7½	9	10	3	5½	6½
Wellcome	700	52	82	100	30	49½	67
(*732½)	750	28	56	74	58½	76	94
Series		**Jul**	**Oct**	**Dec**	**Jul**	**Oct**	**Dec**
Fisons	140	32	39	41	6	10	14
(*162)	160	19	26	29	14	19	22
Series		**May**	**Aug**	**Nov**	**May**	**Aug**	**Nov**
Eastrn Elc	460	29	39	45	5	20	26
(*480)	500	7	18	26	25	44	49
Series		**Jun**	**Sep**	**Dec**	**Jun**	**Sep**	**Dec**
Natl Pwr	330	22	31	41	8	15	18
(*342½)	360	7	17½	26	25	30	33
Scot Pwr	310	15½	19	24	7½	15	19
(*316½)	330	5½	10	14½	20	28	31

April 20, 1993 Tot: 27267 Call: 13574 Put: 13693 FT-SE Call: 4295 Put: 9435
*Underlying security price.

COMMODITIES

GNI REPORT: Coffee continued to hold its own in London, despite a wave of pressure from New York over the past few days as US warehouse stocks hit the psychological ten million bag level. While the high quality arabica market is coming under pressure from increasing Central American supplies, the London Robusta market is significantly tighter.

LONDON FOX

COCOA

May	674-673	Jul	768-765
Jul	686 BID	Sep	780-778
Sep	700-699	Dec	803-800
Dec	719-718	Mar	827-821
Mar	739-738		
May	753-751	Volume:	8882

ROBUSTA COFFEE ($)

May	889-888	Jan	878-872
Jul	867-865	Mar	862 SLR
Sep	859-858	May	892 SLR
Nov	867-865	Volume:	3144

RAW SUGAR (FOB)

C Czarnikow		Dec	unq
Spot: unq		Mar	—
May	—	May	—
Aug	—	Aug	—
Oct	—	Volume:	0

WHITE SUGAR (FOB)

Reuters		Mar	283.5-81.0
Spot: 295.0		May	285.5-83.0
Aug	300.0-99.0	Aug	290.0-86.0
Oct	284.5-83.0	Oct	282.0-75.0
Dec	283.4-80.0	Volume:	523

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on April 20

(p/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB:	88.94	140.59	135.40
(+/-)	-3.21	-1.75	+0.20
Eng/Wales:	88.04	141.94	133.92
(+/-)	-1.34	-1.46	+0.87
(%)	+2.0	+17.2	-11.5
Scotland:	96.15	123.82	139.47
(+/-)	-3.74	-5.50	-2.06
(%)	-56.4	+14.7	-5.4

LONDON MEAT FUTURES
Live Pig (p/kg)

	Open	Close		Open	Close
May	113.5	113.5	Oct	unq	unq
Jun	109.8	109.8		Volume:	7

GNI LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

WHEAT (close £/t)

May	144.75
Jun	145.80
Sep	107.75
Nov	109.80
Jan	112.90
Volume:	308

BARLEY (close £/t)

May	140.65
Sep	106.50
Nov	109.25
Jan	111.65
Mar	113.65
Volume:	15

HI-PRO SOYA (close £/t)

Apr	unq
Jun	137.50
Aug	138.50
Oct	143.80
Dec	145.80
Volume:	75

POTATO

(£/t)	Open	Close
May	unq	43.0
Apr	92.0	92.5
May	unq	100.5
	Volume:	12

RUBBER
No 1 RSS Cif (p/kg)
May 58.25-58.75

ICIS-LOR (London 6.00pm): A rather indifferent day, but there was more expression of interest in early May North Sea crude oil.

CRUDE OILS ($/barrel FOB)

Brent Physical	18.55	+0.05
Brent 15 day (May)	18.70	n/c
Brent 15 day (Jun)	18.85	n/c
W Texas Intermediate (May)	20.00	-0.05
W Texas Intermediate (Jun)	20.35	n/c

PRODUCTS ($/MT)
Spot CIF NW Europe (prompt delivery)

	Bid	Offer
Premium Gas .15	207 (n/c)	209 (n/c)
Gasoil EEC	182 (+1)	184 (+2)
Non EEC 1H May	179 (n/c)	180 (-1)
Non EEC 1H Jun	176 (n/c)	177 (-1)
3.5 Fuel Oil	75 (n/c)	77 (n/c)
Naphtha	179 (n/c)	181 (+1)

IPE FUTURES
GNI Ltd

GAS OIL

May	175.25-75.50	Aug	174.75-75.25
Jun	173.25-73.50	Sep	176.75-77.25
Jul	173.50-74.00	Oct	179.50-80.00
		Vol:	11199

BRENT (6.00pm)

Jun	18.83-18.84	Sep	18.94-18.97
Jul	18.82-18.83	Oct	18.99-19.00
Aug	18.88-18.92	Vol:	13011

UNLEADED GASOLINE

May	204.00-05.00	Aug	213.50 SLR
Jun	205.50-07.00	Sep	217.00 SLR
Jul	206.00-08.00	Vol:	107

BIFFEX
GNI Ltd ($10/pt)

	High	Low	Close
Apr 93	1517	1512	1517
May 93	1500	1492	1494
Jun 93	1399	1395	1398
Jul 93	1280	1280	1276

Vol: 213 lots. Open int'st: n/a Index 1499 +3

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE (Official) (Volume prev day) Rudolf Wolff

	Cash	3mth	Vol
Copper Gde A (£/tonne)	1171.5-1172.0	1193.5-1194.0	2270325
Lead (£/tonne)	270.75-271.00	280.50-280.75	186900
Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1001.0-1002.0	1020.0-1021.0	586725
Tin ($/tonne)	5542.0-5543.0	5605.0-5607.0	10050
Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1092.5-1093.0	1116.0-1116.5	1388925
Nickel ($/tonne)	5852.0-5855.0	5917.0-5920.0	54738

MONEY MARKETS

Exchange index compared with 1985 was up at 80.3 (day's range 80.2-80.3).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Mkt Rates for Apr 20	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
Amsterdam	2.7664-2.7717	2.7671-2.7705	⅜-⅝ds	⅞-1¼ds
Brussels	50.62-50.76	50.65-50.75	8-12ds	19-31ds
Copenhagen	9.4280-9.4950	9.4720-9.4950	3⅜-5½ds	11¼-13⅜ds
Dublin	1.0080-1.0099	1.0085-1.0099	22-28ds	54-64ds
Frankfurt	2.4560-2.4709	2.4628-2.4661	⅜-⅝ds	1⅛-1¼ds
Lisbon	227.29-228.30	227.29-227.75	243-257ds	578-613ds
Madrid	177.72-178.57	177.74-178.02	109-128ds	310-344ds
Milan	2352.80-2364.60	2353.80-2360.10	10-13ds	29-32ds
Montreal	1.9362-1.9506	1.9362-1.9384	0.26-0.17pr	0.44-0.29pr
New York	1.5420-1.5530	1.5420-1.5430	0.39-0.37pr	1.11-1.08pr
Oslo	10.4130-10.4610	10.4340-10.4570	1½-2¾ds	4⅜-6¼ds
Paris	8.3180-8.3360	8.3190-8.3330	2¼-2⅝ds	5½-5⅞ds
Stockholm	11.3420-11.3960	11.3720-11.3960	2⅞-4¼ds	8⅝-10½ds
Tokyo	170.77-171.74	170.77-170.97	½-⅜pr	1¼-1⅛pr
Vienna	17.29-17.36	17.31-17.36	2⅜-3¼ds	5⅝-6¾ds
Zurich	2.2539-2.2610	2.2571-2.2602	¼pr-par	⅝-⅜pr

Source: Extel. Premium - pr. Discount - ds.

OTHER STERLING

Argentina peso*	1.5486-1.5512
Australia dollar	2.1603-2.1633
Bahrain dinar	0.577-0.589
Brazil cruzeiro*	45652.9-45653.3
Cyprus pound	0.73-0.74
Finland marka	8.437-8.553
Greece drachma	332.75-339.75
Hong Kong dollar	11.9861-11.9955
India rupee	47.99-48.95
Kuwait dinar KD	0.461-0.471
Malaysia ringgit	3.9855-3.9897
Mexico peso	4.76-4.86
New Zealand dollar	2.8607-2.8679
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.737-5.863
Singapore dollar	2.5102-2.5135
S Africa rand (fin)	7.0252-7.1843
S Africa rand (com)	4.8734-4.8798
U A E dirham	5.6155-5.7395

*Barclays Bank GTS * Lloyds Bank*

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Australia	1.3933-1.3945
Austria	11.15-11.17
Belgium (Com)	32.62-32.66
Canada	1.2561-1.2566
Denmark	6.09-6.10
France	5.366-5.371
Germany	1.588-1.589
Hong Kong	7.7305-7.7315
Ireland	1.5365-1.5375
Italy	1520.0-1523.0
Japan	110.60-110.65
Malaysia	2.5705-2.5715
Netherlands	1.7825-1.7835
Norway	6.73-6.74
Portugal	146.65-146.85
Singapore	1.619-1.620
Spain	114.8-115.0
Sweden	7.3475-7.3575
Switzerland	1.4545-1.4555

MONEY RATES (%)

Base Rates: Clearing Banks 6 Finance Hse 6½
Discount Market Loans: O/night high: 6 Low 5½ Week fixed: 5⅞
Treasury Bills (Dis): Buy: 2 mth 5¹¹/₁₆; 3 mth 5⅝. Sell: 2 mth 5⅝; 3 mth: 5⅝.

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Prime Bank Bills (Dis):	5¹¹/₁₆-5⅝	5¹¹/₁₆-5⅝	5¹¹/₁₆-5⅝	5¹¹/₁₆-5⅝	
Sterling Money Rates:	6-5⅞	6-5⅞	6⅛-5¹¹/₁₆	6⅛-6	6¼-6⅛
Interbank:	6-5⅞	6-5⅞	6⅛-5¹¹/₁₆	6⅛-6	6¼-6⅛

Overnight: open 5⅞, close 6½.

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Local Authority Deps:	5⅞	n/a	6	6⅛	6¼
Sterling CDs:	5⅞-5¹¹/₁₆	5⅞-5¹¹/₁₆	5¹¹/₁₆-5⅝	5¹¹/₁₆-5⅝	6⅛-6
Dollar CDs:	3.06-3.01	n/a	3.09-3.05	3.15-3.10	3.33-3.22
Building Society CDs:	5⅞-5⅞	5¹¹/₁₆-5⅝	6-5⅞	6⅛-6	6⅛-6⅛

ECGD: Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance. Make-up day: Mar 31, 1993 Agreed rates Apr 26, 1993 to May 25, 1993 Scheme I: 7.36 %. Schemes II & III: 7.25 %. Reference rate Feb 27, 1993 to Mar 31, 1993 Scheme IV & V: 6.028 %.

EUROPEAN MONEY DEPOSITS (%)

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	Call
Dollar:	3⅛-2⅞	3⅛-2⅞	3⅛-3	3⅜-3⅛	3⅛-2⅞
Deutschemark:	8⅛-8	8⅛-8⅛	7¹³/₁₆-7¹¹/₁₆	7¹¹/₁₆-7⅝	8⅛-7⅞
French Franc:	9⅝-9⅛	9⅝-9⅛	9⅛-9⅛	9⅛-9⅛	10⅛-9⅞
Swiss Franc:	5⅝-5⅜	5⅝-5⅜	5⅛-5⅜	5⅛-5	5⅛-4⅞
Yen:	3⅛-3⅜	3⅛-3⅜	3⅛-3⅜	3⅛-3⅛	3⅛-2⅞

GOLD AND PRECIOUS METALS (Baird & Co)

Bullion: Open $340.60-340.90 Close: $340.30-340.80 High: $342.00-342.50 Low: $338.80-339.30 Krugerrand: $339.75-341.55 (£219.50-221.50)
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Administrators work to raise a Canary from the ashes

Carl Mortished believes the tide is turning at last and that the Canary Wharf development could yet come right

Britain's most spectacular property collapse, Canary Wharf, is inching towards a resurrection. The tide of bad news that engulfed the Docklands office development when its parent, Olympia & York, became insolvent has begun to turn, with tenants moving in, consultations with unsecured creditors and Monday's announcement that the European Investment Bank has agreed to provide £98 million towards the construction of the Jubilee Line underground extension to Docklands.

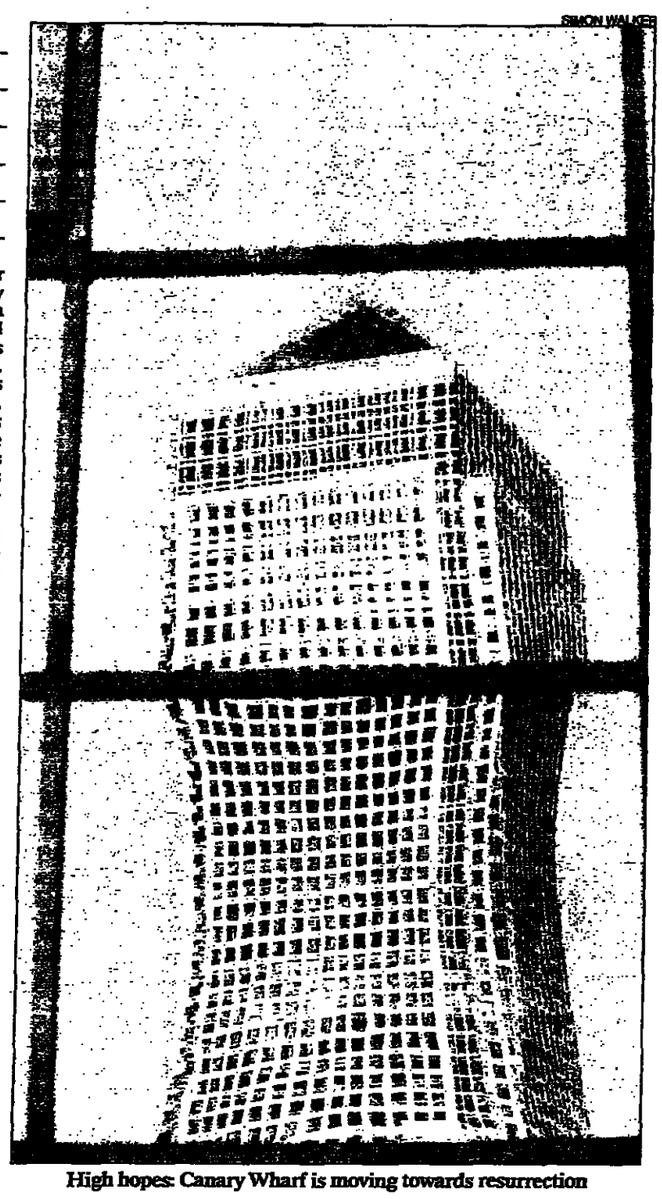
Nigel Hamilton and Stephen Adamson, Canary Wharf's administrators, are not there yet and failure to agree longer-term funding with the 11 banks who will inherit the project could still scupper efforts to put Canary Wharf on a financially viable footing. The proposed voluntary arrangement that would lift the company out of administration also requires the approval of the 1,200 unsecured creditors in formal meetings. However, if the administrators maintain the momentum, by the summer, Barclays, Lloyds and nine other European and North American banks could become the shareholders of a new company controlling the 4.4 million sq ft Docklands office city. More importantly, they will own a site with a further 9 million sq ft of development potential, all with planning consent.

If the banks intend to run with the project rather than sell it and cut their losses, it is because they perceive a longer term future in holding on to property assets that may appreciate quite quickly when demand for office space picks up.

Comparisons are now being drawn between Canary Wharf and other fringe office developments that went wrong and subsequently came right.

The key to the equation for the Canary Wharf bankers is the tax breaks available to property owners in the enterprise zone. The Conservative government pumped money into Docklands in the form of grants to the London Docklands Development Corporation, which has received £1.4 billion in grants since it was set up in 1981. But the major incentive for Olympia & York, Canary Wharf's developer, was the opportunity to claim the entire cost of building the project in capital allowances. This compares with the 4 per cent rate permitted outside the zone — on industrial buildings only — and some 25 per cent allowed on specific plant and equipment. According to the administrators, these advantages are still available to the owner of the Canary Wharf company and every effort has been made to secure the tax breaks, which it is believed would be lost if the company was wound up.

In 1987, when Olympia & York's owners, the Canadian Reichmann brothers, budgeted the project at about £1.6 billion, they loaded the cost into the first two 4.4 million sq ft phases, now built. At that time rents of £30 per sq ft seemed achievable when core City rents were heading towards £50. Fully let, the first two phases would have produced a rent roll of about £132 million and applying, at that time, an optimistic investment yield of 7.5 per cent gives a value approaching the original estimate of cost.


SIMON WALKER

High hopes: Canary Wharf is moving towards resurrection

Since then, property yields have soared and rents have collapsed. City rents vary between £15 and £25 per sq ft and occupiers can count on two or more years rent-free. Rod Parker of Knight Frank & Rutley in Docklands says average rents in Docklands are £10 per sq ft plus incentives, such as rent-free periods and contributions to fitting out. However, he thinks it is unlikely that the owners of Canary Wharf would accept headline rents below £20. Mark McAlister, a partner in Richard Ellis's City office, agrees: "I don't think they would do deals at £10 per sq ft. They would rather do a deal in 1995 at £20 than do one in 1993 or 1994 at £10 and crystallise a loss. That is probably why we have not seen much marketing of the project."

The administrators have not lifted the veil of secrecy imposed by the Reichmanns over rents at Canary Wharf, but if one assumes an average rent of £20 per sq ft over a fully let Canary Wharf and a yield of 10 per cent the development is worth almost £900 million, well in excess of the banks' £600 million investment. However, letting the buildings will cost the banks many millions more in time and hard cash. "It's the rate of take-up that really matters," Mr McAlister says.

The Daily Telegraph is renting 125,000 sq ft in the Canary tower at about £30 per sq ft but the newspaper was lured to the complex with a £20 million capital contribution and the takeover of the Telegraph's lease at the South Quay office complex nearby.

The success of Canary Wharf depends on demand for space in Docklands and the Tube link will make it more competitive. The collapse of the 1980s financial services boom and overdevelopment around the City fringe has left the development fighting for tenants with new office space nearer the core of the City and with better access to transport. However, City surveyors are already reporting the beginnings of a shortage of new office space at the heart of the financial district, with only two buildings on the market providing space exceeding 150,000 sq ft. Although Docklands office developments cannot compete on the same terms with core City developments, they have the potential to offer cheaper space in very large sizes.

Paul Reichmann's conception of Canary Wharf was akin to his World Financial Centre in New York, with blue-chip investment banks and multinational companies as tenants. That dream was only partly realised. While the complex boasts occupiers such as Ogilvy & Mather, Morgan Stanley, and, more recently Texaco, Olympia & York has recently been marketing space to less prestigious but creditworthy tenants such as the government, which last year was mooted to take space at Canary Wharf to rehouse the Department of the Environment. London Transport has agreed in principle to take 270,000 sq ft at the South Colonnade, on condition that the Tube extension reaches Docklands.

The Reichmanns took over the project in 1987 from G Ware Travelstead, the American developer who, with Reg Ward, then chief executive of London Docklands Development Corporation believed that big was better and that the eastward expansion of the City could be accelerated with a Wall Street on the Water in Docklands. Not everyone was convinced, including some civil servants at the environment department, who said the project was too big and too far from the City to attract tenants.

Travelstead had the vision but not the finance and Olympia & York provided funds and know-how. O&Y's credibility was undisputed, based on successful developments in Canada and the United States.

The Reichmanns did not reckon with the determination of the City of London to hang on to its position. City planning restrictions were lifted and a flood of office space came on the market, much of it as O&Y was trying to induce tenants.

Bankers jockeyed for position in the queue to lend to the Reichmanns. The brothers were able to obtain funds while providing minimal financial information on Olympia & York which, until the company's collapse last year, had never provided its financiers with a consolidated balance sheet.

That proved the undoing of both the Reichmanns and their bankers. Canary Wharf was a substantial drain on funds for the Olympia & York empire but the cracks started to appear in New York, rather than London. Holders of O&Y's commercial paper, unnerved by reports of the declining value of O&Y's assets, failed to roll over their investment and the company had to find $400 million at short notice to redeem the notes. Unfortunately, O&Y's assets were concentrated in recession-ravaged markets: real estate and shares in natural resources and forest products companies. Asset sales could not be made fast enough to stave off the liquidity crisis.

Since the collapse in May the Reichmanns have tried to buy back into Canary Wharf and last summer, the brothers put together a syndicate with Larry Tisch, the American media mogul, and Lewis Ranieri, the financier, with the aim of buying Canary Wharf from the administrators. A price was never agreed and it looks like the banks will be keeping their grip on the Docklands city on the water.

TEMPUS

Unsettled forecast

THE Treasury could not find a more effective means of discrediting official forecasts than yesterday's PSBR figures if it tried. The gilt-edged market was remarkably relaxed after learning that the PSBR for March was £1.4 billion worse than the Chancellor forecast in his Budget, only two weeks before the end of the month in question, even though most of the City believed he had been conservative. Long-dated issues shaded only a few points, while short gilts improved after the Bank of England announced that next week's £3 billion auction would be part-paid.

In the Treasury's defence, the March PSBR figure is often erratic, as the public sector balances its books at the end of the financial year. But the greatest source of error was in departmental spending, an area the Treasury should have been able to forecast easily. The divergence raises renewed questions about government spending controls.

Despite March's record borrowing figure, City economists are reluctant to increase their forecasts for this year's PSBR. The figures show that receipts are holding up well. If the Chancellor has underestimated the strength of the recovery, he may well find that the taxpayer will come to his rescue, bailing out any overspend and keeping the PSBR within his £50 billion target.

Nevertheless, the renewed doubt that the incident has cast over Treasury forecasting will do nothing for the market's confidence in the coming months. Given the institutions' continuing concerns about funding the deficit, the last thing they want is additional uncertainty about the size of the hole they are being asked to fill.

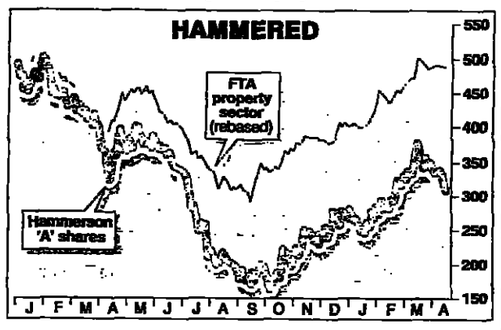
Hammerson

MANAGEMENT succession may have been resolved, but there were few other promising features in Hammerson's figures. The bias towards the West End and North America meant net assets fell 30 per cent to 445p a share. A £188 million disposal programme failed to prevent net debt rising £21 million to £845 million.

Hammerson's structural problem is that its portfolio is dominated by a few major investments, such as the Brent Cross shopping centre. It lacks the diversity of Land Securities or British Land. While this makes the portfolio easier to manage, it gives little chance to reorganise when the market is poor.

Ronald Spinney, the new chief executive, may decide that further disposals are counter-productive, since asset values have been falling faster than the group can arrange sales. That will force him to raise fresh equity. The market expects a convertible issue of at least £200 million soon, supported by Standard Life, which holds 29.9 per cent of the equity. This would cut gearing to less than 70 per cent. Combined with more disposals it would give Mr Spinney the chance to spread the portfolio.

Before then the group's net asset value may shrink another 10 per cent this year, while the dividend is unlikely to recover quickly from its reduced level of 10p. The shares are likely to continue drifting until Mr Spinney's plans, and the details of any equity issue, become clear.



SmithKline Beecham

DRUG companies have had a difficult start to 1993, not least because of worries over the adverse impact of American healthcare reforms. Yet Smithkline Beecham continues to deliver a solid performance.

This is largely due to the strong growth of its new products, which have already contributed £95 million of sales in the first quarter alone — almost half the total for the whole of last year. The growth of Seroxat in the $1.2 billion anti-depressant sector is particularly encouraging.

The importance of new product growth for SB is clear from the marked decline in sales of Tagamet, its ulcer drug, which fell 23 per cent in America. Admittedly, the first quarter of 1992 was unusually strong, but it is a taste of what will happen when Tagamet comes off patent next year. SB's strong product pipeline should counteract the worst effects.

This is partly a result of the 1989 merger, which enabled the combined group to equip itself for the tougher market of the nineties. Last year SB's prices (after discounts) fell nearly 2 per cent, which bodes well for prospects in a Clintonised healthcare system. On a prospective p/e of under 15, the shares still look good value.

St Ives

EVEN if the long-awaited recovery in the printing industry comes, St Ives still faces a difficult future. It has weathered recession well and has cash balances of £46 million. But with base rates at 6 per cent, this is hardly the best time to be sitting on cash. There is little point in spending any more on upgrading plant — the group has already invested over £140 million and is not yet operating at full capacity.

St Ives says the money will be spent on acquisitions. There is no point buying companies in Britain, as there is still overcapacity and margins are unlikely to return to the levels enjoyed in the eighties. However, developing overseas can be fraught with problems as the group knows from its experience in America. Those operations lost money last year and in the first half only managed a £304,000 pre-tax profit on sales of more than £13 million. Given the uncertain future a prospective p/e ratio of more than 21 is generous.

Lasmo

AS predicted by *Tempus* last month, Lasmo has gone to Wall Street for an equity issue to ease its strained balance sheet. The $150 million perpetual preference issue will hardly erase the group's £1 billion debt, and many analysts will consider the issue as debt rather than equity. But Lasmo will count the shares as equity which will help to cut gearing and reduce exposure to fluctuations in the sterling-dollar exchange rate.

The issue should be completed by the end of May, along with a $250 million issue of long-term fixed rate dollar debt. These will ease concerns over Lasmo's borrowings, especially if they are accompanied by news of further disposals. American investors have already seen the attractions of Lasmo's cash flow and production profile and now hold 13 per cent of the equity, up from less than 3 per cent a year ago. Their interest should continue to support the share price, which could then recover sharply if the City's concern over the group's debts eases.

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Back to economic corporatism

TRADE unions are not the only Seventies institution to have regained their place in the national limelight. Yesterday saw a glimpse of government-industry-union tripartism of the kind Norman Lamont buried with the death of the National Economic Development Council. Journalists attending a briefing by the Chancellor on profit-related pay, scheduled minutes before a sharp rise in PSBR was announced, could not help but spot the irony. For there before them were not just Lamont and the financial secretary, Stephen Dorrell, but also the employment department's freemarketeer, Michael Forsyth, sharing a platform with Richard Price, CBI deputy director-general; Norman Willis, TUC general-secretary; and senior managers from J.Sainsbury and Royal Insurance. Willis was quick to seize his chance: "You will understand how delighted I am to be able to come and support a government initiative. It's a strange feeling, but I'm trying to get used to it." Stony-faced stares and a thin-lipped grimace from Forsyth, who sponsored the latest government bill restricting unions, did not discourage Willis. Bucked by the unusual return to economic corporatism in the citadel of opposition to it, Willis hoped the Chancellor would ask him to share another platform tomorrow, when the unemployment figures come out.



Loyalty lunch

VIV Johnson, a dealing director on Robert Fleming's investment management team, today becomes the 20th employee to be given a "loyalty lunch" in the boardroom — to celebrate 25 years spent with the firm. Johnson, only 47, joined Fleming on the suggestion of his father, then a partner at Donnison, the old jobbing firm. A legendary *bon viveur*, Johnson says that he plans to stay with Fleming "for ever".

Help on the Line

TWENTY-EIGHT disabled and terminally-ill patients will get a holiday of a lifetime this June thanks to the efforts of Colin Line and his cousin, Alan, who are raising £250,000 to cover the cost of a new "jumbulance". Half coach, half ambulance, the custom-built vehicle will comfortably transport the patients to Bruck, Austria, for a week. The Across Trust has been providing such holidays for 20 years, and with the help of the International Equity Dealers Association, the 16th jumbulance was unveiled on Monday at a Guildhall lunch attended by the Lord Mayor, Sir Francis Williams. Colin Line, a salesman at Henderson Crosthwaite Institutional Brokers, and Alan Line, a dealer at Foreign and Colonial Investment Trust, hope that City folk can spare a bit of altruism for a £28 fund-raising dinner on May 27 at the Brewery on Chiswell Street.

'Shopping' around

BLAMING your own customers, most might think, might be too risky a business for any self-respecting insurance company. But mounting insurance losses have tempted some insurers to use increasingly desperate tactics. A new hotline has been set up to encourage people to inform on neighbours and friends they believe to have dishonestly submitted a claim. Rivalling a similar service established by the several insurers, Salmon Assessors, the insurance claim negotiators, has set up a new service enabling policyholders to inform on any insurer they believe has dishonestly cut down their honest insurance claims. Salmon will publish a list of offenders each month. Disgruntled claimants should call 081-340 4040. I just hope Salmon have enough telephone lines.

MELINDA WITTSTOCK

LETTERS

Industry needs vision, commitment and resources from government

From Mr David A. Turnbull

Sir, Janet Bush's article — "More than a hair shirt called for to save British Industry" (April 15) referred to exports and investment, or the lack of both, in UK industry.

The UK Industrial Group's members, with only a few exceptions, export anything from 7% to 100% of their sales. Furthermore, many are increasing their exports as a percentage of sales in spite of the worldwide recession.

Equally, all of our members have been investing in new plant, equipment and training over recent years. Maybe one reason for such investment is because most of our members are private companies and therefore are not shackled by the "City" mentality of having to pay dividends when incurring losses or to pay dividends that exceed their current year's profits.

Andrew Cook, who is quoted in the article, says "it's too late. There's been too much damage". It is NOT too late. Such an attitude is neither constructive nor helpful. The UKIG's members are all progressive and successful manufacturing, engineering or processing companies — probably like Mr Cook's. The problem in this country is that there are simply not enough of them.

The UKIG believes that there are some items within the Labour Party's recent proposals that are good and some that are bad. Old interventionism had both failures and successes. What UK industry and the economy requires now is vision, commitment and resources. All of these should come from Government and preferably backed by Parliament as a whole. Sadly this is not the case.

The UKIG's vision is for the UK to achieve consistent balance of trade surpluses. Then and only then will the UK's economic problems be resolved. Fail and we shall end up as the poor man of Europe and maybe the world.

Yours faithfully,
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State pension options

From Mr David Lindsay

Sir, "£4bn cloud over taking a state pension at 60" reads an April 3 headline, but the small print tells us that this will be the cost by 2030; leaving plenty of time, surely, to adjust meanwhile — raise the NIC a little, reduce the pension a fraction, raise the pension starting age a year or two, or a little of each?

No mention is made of any of 1993s problems associated with the current pension age fiasco, eg gross inequality of treatment, high unemployment (especially male), and lack of choice. Raising women's state pension age to 65 well on in the next century will do nothing for any of these.

Yours faithfully,
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Lloyd's plan must deal honestly with investors

From Mr John Rew

Sir, The report by Sarah Bagnall (Lloyd's not to renew amnesty for names, April 14) shows muddled thinking, at best, by the Lloyd's establishment.

If the Business Plan is to be acceptable, it must deal honestly with those investors who have been hardest hit by Lloyd's past failure to regulate itself. If the present management cannot achieve that, then it too will have failed; renewal of writs against names will show that failure.

In the past, Lloyd's has scorned Chaiser's predictions of impending losses, although papers recently made available show that this was done despite its knowledge that those predictions were correct. Lloyd's purpose was to gull investors to part with further cash; something dealt with less leniently elsewhere in the City, where proper regulation exists. By acting in bad faith, Lloyd's forfeits its immunity from suit.

In addition, the Writs Response Group has put together a formidable defence and counter claim to the writs, as well as making a detailed and condemning complaint to the European Court. To this Lloyd's has entered an inadequate response; the end of the moratorium will achieve nothing but embarrassment for Lloyd's (and enrichment for the lawyers).

Lloyd's should be under no doubt that the majority of its membership is disillusioned; a rerun of the last year's EGM, now, would reverse the majority, then, for retaining the status quo.

Yours faithfully,
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10	Wyko	Industrial	
11	Govett	Finance, Land	
12	Seacon	Transport	
13	MIM	Mining	
14	TSB	Banks,Disc	
15	Northern Elec	Electricity	
16	Johnson Matth	Industrial	
17	Blue Circle	Building,Rds	
18	WPP	Paper,Print	
19	Travis Perkins	Building,Rds	
20	Eurotherm	Electrical	
21	Quarto	Paper,Print	
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24	Telegraph	Newspapr,Pub	
25	Budgen	Foods	
26	NMC Group	Paper,Print	
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28	Rentokil	Business Serv	
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36	Helical Bar	Property	
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1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
403	345	Abbey Ntl	395	+17	11.5	3.6	15.2
255	179	Allied Irish	249	-4	...	6.0	14.7
176	130	Aus New Z	164	+1	...	5.9	...
380¾	283⅛	Bankamerica	3356¼	-156¼	...	...	...
250	158	Bk of Ireland	243	-5	...	4.9	38.9
325	325	Bk Leumi UK	325	...	17.0	6.5	...
140	116½	Bank Scotland	133	+7½	4.3	4.1	20.9
464	362	Barclays	427	+13	15.1	4.4	-
3½	2	Benchmark	2½	...	...	...	...
52	31	Brown Shipley	35	...	...	...	...
19½	15½	Carlisle	16½	...	...	...	...
485	395	Cater Allen	485	...	26.0	6.7	...
115	85	Cattles	115	+2	...	4.6	-
2450	1787½	Chase Manh	2231¼	-181¼	...	...	...
2043¾	1343¾	Citicorp	1887½	-75	...	...	...
345	250	Close Bros	325	...	...	3.7	14.5
£125½	9275	Commerzbk	£123½	-75	...	3.2	...
£304½	£250½	Deutsche Bk	£288¼	-237½	...	2.2	...
81	45	First Nat Fin	60	...	...	...	...
1227	876	Fuji Bank Y	1151	...	...	0.4	62.0
445	343	Gerrard Nat	444	...	21.0	5.9	...
654	490	HSBC	629½	-3½	19.0	3.8	-
634	474	HSBC HK	606	-3	19.0	3.9	-
356	243	Hambros	341	...	13.8	5.1	15.1
363	313	Joseph (L)	360	...	15.8	5.5	...
126	96	King Shaxson	125	...	5.0	5.0	...
395	312	Kleinwort Ben	388	...	16.0	5.2	13.5
573	492	Lloyds	538	+13	18.4	4.3	15.4
87	63	Lon Scot Bk	86	-1	3.0	4.4	17.0
432	322	Nat Aust Bk	425	-1	...	5.1	13.7
485	398	Nat West	472	+11	17.5	4.6	28.7
843	674	Provident	843	+9	28.5	4.2	14.6
47	39	Rea Bros	43	...	0.5	1.5	45.7
274	207	Ryl Bk Scot	259	+2	8.8	4.2	...
1975	1335	Schroders	1788	+5	22.0	1.5	-
740	576	Stand Chart	740	+17	...	3.4	...
187½	145½	TSB	187	+7	6.4	4.3	...
119	78	Union Disc	116	+1	...	...	...
674	529	Warburg SG	664	-2	18.0	3.4	19.7
227	185	-do- 6% 'A'	223	-2	...	3.4	...
7850	4843¾	Wells Fargo	7712½	-137½	...	1.4	...
159	121	Westpac	159	+2	...	5.1	...
215	188	Wintrust	205	...	9.3	5.7	7.9

BREWERIES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
646	547	Allied-Lyons	569	+19	20.0	4.4	13.2
647	533	Bass	563	+2	18.9	4.2	12.5
258	189	Boddington	250	...	7.3	3.6	14.6
415	362	Bulmer (HP)	404	+2	9.0	2.8	18.6
159	139	Burtonwd Brw	139	...	4.4	4.0	10.1
307	261	Devenish (JA)	306	+2	7.8	3.2	17.2
98	75	Eldridge P 'A'	90	...	...	4.3	23.8
68½	54½	Forers Brewing	58	...	...	5.1	7.4
360	338	Fullr Sm 'A'	358	+3	...	2.3	15.0
480	411	Grand Met	422	-3	12.3	3.6	13.9
423	388	Greenalls Grp	406	...	11.7	3.6	13.4
563	505	Greene King	554	...	11.6	2.6	14.4
516	440	Guinness	490†	+8	...	3.0	17.4
281	230	Hardy Hansn	238	...	7.9	4.1	13.2
113	108	Heavitree	108	...	3.0	3.5	25.9
78	78	-do- 'A' LV	78	...	3.0	4.9	18.7
288	255	Highland Distl	287†	+2	6.0	2.6	19.1
3125	2538	Hoh J	2938	+13	35.0	1.5	20.5
55	33	Hoskins Brew	54	...	...	...	38.9
323	250	Invrgordn Dist	269	+2	7.0	3.3	-
186	157	Macallan-Glen	157†	...	0.9	0.7	35.3
465	375	Macdn Martn 'A'	375	...	8.8	2.9	11.8
732	625	Mansfield	731	-1	11.6	2.3	15.7
256	231	Mrstn Thmp	243	...	4.9	2.5	14.2
435	412	Matthew Clark	422	...	15.7	4.7	12.7
300	255	Mrrydwn W	260	...	...	3.0	18.8
490	455	Morland	460	+5	8.4	2.3	18.3
12	6½	Paramount	10	...	...	2.1	17.7
950	763	SA Breweries	785	+22	...	3.4	-
482½	408	Scot & New	462	+2	16.1	4.4	12.6
198	191	Taunton Cider	191	+1	...	3.1	17.8
242	213	Vaux Group	226	+2	9.3	5.2	15.6
268	225	Wetherspoon JD	255	...	...	2.4	20.6
497½	435	Whitbread 'A'	451	-1	16.9	4.7	12.7
1180	850	-do- 'B'	875	-10	16.9	2.4	24.6
613	561	Wolvrhmptn D	563	...	11.4	2.5	15.8
515	490	Young 'A'	490	...	14.5	3.8	21.0

BUILDING, ROADS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
115	73	Abbey	115	...	...	1.2	41.5
27	13	Albrighton	18	...	...	...	...
106	67	Allen	89	...	...	7.0	10.8
94	65	Amec	66†	+4	3.0	4.4	-
9½	4	Anglia Sec	6	...	...	...	...
198	155	Ashtead	181	...	4.1	2.9	22.4
142	110	Attwoods	111	-2	5.0	5.7	15.8
238	180	BPB Ind	221	+10	...	4.2	56.2
95	57	Baggeridge Brk	85	+1	3.1	4.6	28.6
31	18	Bailey (Ben) Con	27½	+1	0.5	...	...
101	74	Barcom	76	+1	1.2	2.1	15.0
138	94	Barratt Devs	135	+4	2.0	1.9	15.0
399	305	Bellway	399	+7	11.5	3.6	23.1
32	15	Bellwinch	28	+1	...	...	...
412	295½	Berkeley Gp	402	+6	...	1.9	27.7
63	45	Bett Bros	58	...	...	...	2.4
46	36	Blockleys	45†	+1	1.0	2.8	-
244	160	Blue Circle	236†	+1	11.2	5.9	-
280	250	Boot (Henry)	277	...	...	2.4	15.1
108	78	Breedon PLC	90†	...	4.6	6.4	-
105	92	Br Dredging	101†	...	5.2	6.4	-
70	45	Brit Fittings	62	+6	1.5	3.1	...
136	99	Bryant	136	+6	4.8	4.4	29.1
63	53	CALA	60	-1	2.3	...	...
263	205	CRH	250	-3	...	3.6	16.5
43	22	Cakebread Rby	33	...	...	...	...
37	23	Costain	36	+2	...	...	...
129	90	Countryside	125	...	4.1	4.1	33.0
63	38	Crest Nicholson	56	...	0.0	...	...
65	28	Cussins	63	+3	...	...	...
3½	1½	Dunton	1½	...	...	...	...
25	10½	Edmond Hldgs	21	...	0.5	3.0	...
200	178	Erwin	198	...	8.8	4.4	-
47	32	Erith	40	...	0.3	1.0	...
338	252	Eve Group	335	...	...	3.6	12.1
50	34	Evered Bardon	38†	...	2.0	6.6	-
6½	4½	Esplanade	4½	-½	...	...	...
139	97	Freeman Grp	139	+17	...	4.5	-
50	38	Galliford	39	...	4.3	...	15.7
73	65	Gibbs & Dandy	68	...	...	...	...
753	695	Gleeson (MJ)	753	...	12.7	2.1	12.2
111	90	Hewden-Stuart	111†	+1½	3.2	3.6	-
50	26	Hewetson	50	...	2.6	...	49.8
257	186	Heywd Wlm	257	+4	12.5	6.1	...
50	37	Higgs & Hill	50	+6	2.5	4.0	-
35	27	How Gp	31	...	3.5	...	10.7
19	15	Howard Hldgs	18	...	0.5	3.5	...
56	39	Ibstock Johnsen	56	+2	1.0	2.3	-
19	14½	Jarvis	18	...	0.5	...	...
272	196	Laing (J)	252	+14	9.0	4.5	-
93	55	Ln Clydeside	86	...	4.5	8.5	24.9
21½	10½	Lovell (YJ)	19	...	...	...	8.6
305	240	Manders	293	...	9.0	3.8	17.9
130	93	Marley	126	...	4.2	4.2	37.0
76	61	Marshalls	72	+1	...	8.7	24.1
130	122	Maunders (J)	130	+2	4.9	4.8	11.9
170	96	McAlpine (A)	170	+5	6.5	4.8	29.4
35	25	McCarthy & S	32½	...	0.5	6.1	...
341	284	Meyer Int	341	+8	16.5	6.0	35.1
4	4	Milton Gp	4	...	...	...	...
100	62	Mowlem (J)	100†	+2	4.0	5.0	...
78	63	NSM	63	-2	...	...	...
50	48	Needler	48	...	...	4.0	-
140	106	Newman Tnks	134	+2	...	4.4	-
263	197	Persimmon	262	+3	8.6	4.1	26.7
26	22	Phoenix Timber	22	...	...	...	...
1625	1462½	Pochins	1462½	...	...	...	...
96	80	Prowting	91	...	3.4	4.7	-
6½	4½	Quiligotti	4½	...	...	...	...
661	555	RMC Gp	661†	+12	20.0	3.8	-
117	90	Raine Ind	93	...	6.0	8.1	15.5
36	20	Ramus	22	...	...	...	...
499	402	Redland	439†	+3	...	7.1	31.2
75	64	Roskel	67†	-1	4.3	8.0	9.0
254	207	Rugby Group	249	-1	6.4	3.2	-
41	25	Svrfld-Rvea	41	+1	...	...	...
104	66	Sharpe & Fisher	94†	-1	4.0	5.3	-
172	110	Sheffield Insl	161	+3	5.4	4.2	-
96	82	Sherfil Hldgs	96	...	...	2.6	14.3
95	66	Shorco	76†	...	...	8.6	-
228	205	Smart (J)	205	...	8.5	5.2	9.3
6½	4½	Stanmin	5½	...	0.3	7.1	6.3
140	103	Tarmac	140	+7	5.5	4.9	57.9
194	137	Tay Homes	171	...	5.8	4.3	10.9
103	63	Taylor Woodrw	103†	+4½	1.0	1.2	...
533	433	Tilbury Dongls	488	...	33.0	8.9	-
34	19	Tunx Hires	23	...	...	2.2	...
192	168	Travis Perkins	190	+4	8.0	5.3	26.9
34	30	Try Group	32†	...	1.0	3.9	9.1
28	20	Tudor	28†	...	...	1.1	...
67	41	Vibroplant	54	+2	3.6	8.3	9.9
41	20	Ward Hldgs	35	...	...	...	...
36	25	Waterhouse	30	...	...	...	...
475	380	Watts Blake	444	...	10.7	3.1	-
14	8	Wescol	14	...	...	...	...
132	90	Westbury	132	+2	...	4.6	...
12	4½	West Seafield	9	...	...	...	...
12	5	Wiggins	9	...	...	...	...
424	371	Wilson Bowdn	424†	-10	8.7	2.6	29.1
184	142	Wilson (C)	184	+4	3.9	2.7	-
158	107	Wimpey G	158	+4	5.2	4.2	-
42	25	YRM	40	...	4.0	...	4.6

BUSINESS SERVICES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
675	463	ADT	570	...	...	...	-
228	198	Adam & Harvey	213	...	11.0	6.5	3.3
88	56	Air London	84	...	...	5.2	10.4
50	37	African Lakes	44†	...	2.0	5.7	...
175	125	Asto Sec	158†	...	5.3	4.2	...
108	84	BET Ord	99½	+5½	...	8.2	14.6
76	41	BNB Res	75	...	4.9	8.2	-
318	258	BPP	281	...	8.0	3.6	-
285	250	Barbour Index	250	...	7.2	3.6	18.6
20	15	Boustead	18	...	0.7	5.0	-
236	184	Brit Data Mgt	208	...	...	2.4	17.3
14	11	Broadcastlea	14	...	...	...	-
65	54	Brooks Service	60	+2	...	...	...
104	86	CRT Gp	89	...	2.4	3.4	30.2
173	139½	Capita Group	162†	-5	...	1.6	-
40	31	Casket Plc	37½	+½	0.5	1.7	14.3
55	40	Chiltern Capital	51½	+½	...	...	...
43	26	Christie	43	...	...	...	...
285	228	Claubb Sec	269	...	...	1.3	29.7
33	18	Comaca	30	...	...	...	...
18½	6½	Corp Services	16	+1½	...	...	...
80	50	Dart	80	...	3.3	5.2	9.1
231	198	Davis Service	231	...	...	4.3	-
104	85	EW Facts	97	...	4.3	5.6	-
16½	11	Gardiner	15	...	0.6	5.5	-
36	20	Gardner (DC)	36	...	...	...	...
246	226	Hays	228½	-½	4.6	2.5	22.5
220	175	Hogg Robinsn	178	...	6.3	4.4	13.4
70	55	Holmes Protectn	56	...	...	...	3.3
162	127	Hunch Whamp	148	-2	...	3.2	-
£120½	9650	ISS B DKr	£115½	...	...	0.9	16.2
637	532	Inchcape	608†	+3	...	2.8	20.6
863	669	Johnson Clean	828	...	25.7	3.9	-
12	2½	Lep	9½	...	...	...	...
244	173	Mitie Gp	215	...	2.7	1.6	17.7
1187	893	Manpower	994	...	...	...	...
44½	41	Michael Page	41†	...	1.8	5.5	-
279	217	Pentas	273	...	...	0.9	69.2
4½	2	Prime People	2½	...	...	...	...
120	85	Proudfoot Alex	118	...	...	12.7	2.5
433	385	RCO	390	...	12.8	4.4	13.4
118	113	REA	113	...	4.0	4.4	...
69	43	Reed Executive	58	+3	...	...	...
156	115	Reliance Secs	116	...	...	4.8	11.7
238	208	Rentokil	215	+1	2.3	1.3	-
278	240	Rolfe & Nolan	270	-3	6.2	2.9	18.1
399	343	Salvesen (C)	372	...	7.0	2.4	20.6
35	29	Scott Pickford	30	...	...	3.3	8.3
206	164	Securiguard	182	...	9.4	6.5	9.6
6	5	Select Appt	6	...	...	...	...
953	695	Serco Gp	950	...	14.0	1.8	-
352	252	Sherwd Cmps	306	-2	...	2.9	-
130	95	Stetchley	96	...	3.0	3.9	11.7
355	327	Warner Howrd	335	...	...	2.3	18.9
45	28	Welpac	28	...	0.6	2.7	...
25	14	Wills Gp	24½	...	...	0.5	33.5

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
248	223	Allied Colloids	223	...	3.9	2.2	17.7
759	613	Amersham	697	+2	12.5	2.2	25.8
7	4½	Anglo Utd	4½	...	0.8	...	...
£101½	8325	BASF DM	9700	-96½	...	7.1	...
269	231	BTP	240	...	8.8	4.6	17.6
£119	£104½	Bayer DM50	£113	-112½	...	5.0	...
156	134	Blagden	148	...	9.5	8.0	16.0
165	137	Brent Chems	144	+1	7.4	6.4	-
530	428	Br Bio-Tech	455	...	...	...	...
29	18	Caird Gp	24	+½	1.3	6.9	-
153	127	Canning (W)	131†	...	7.2	7.0	-
608	533½	Courtaulds	560	...	13.0	2.9	15.2
276	228	Croda	268†	-1	7.756	3.6	-
146	131	Doeflex	128	...	4.6	4.5	9.8
198	175	Ellis & Everard	183	+1	7.0	4.8	16.7
28	15½	Euro Colour	22	...	0.6	3.7	...
291	279	Halstead (J)	285	...	...	2.6	14.3
225	194	Hickson	220†	...	8.0	4.5	...
£111¼	9612½	Hoechst	£100¾	-87½	...	7.8	...
214	195	Holliday Chem	210	-1	...	2.2	19.3
1384	1048	ICI	1195	+13	55.0	5.8	28.7
688	581	Laporte	632	+2	19.5	3.9	-
223	190	Leigh	193	+2	7.8	5.1	15.7
19½	11	MTM	12½	+½	1.8	...	2.5
1600	1462½	Norsk Hydro	1587½	-12½	...	1.8	-
420	370	Paterson Zoch	419	...	11.4	3.4	18.1
375	360	-do- 'A'	371	...	11.4	3.9	16.0
296	254	Plysu	267	...	6.0	2.8	18.8
210	173	Porvair	208	...	3.6	2.2	22.2
13	7	Suncliffe Speak	10½	...	...	...	...
475	425	Wardle Storeys	443†	-3	16.0	4.5	17.9
490	395	Wolstnhlm R	448†	...	17.0	4.7	-
391	368	Yorks Chem	380	...	...	2.5	20.4
306	240	Yule Catto	292†	...	5.9	2.5	-

DRAPERY, STORES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
105	63	Alexon	83	...	3.0	4.5	...
78	42	Amber Day	74	-1	3.1	5.2	20.3
319	257	Argos Plc	310	+2	...	2.8	21.3
92	69	Ashley (Laura)	92	+2	0.1	0.1	-
305	283	Asprey	289	-1	...	2.1	23.5
203	186	Austin Reed	188	...	6.0	...	54.7
153	125	Beattie (J) 'A'	141	...	5.7	5.1	13.5
121	97	Bentalls	117	...	3.8	4.1	66.0
273	208	Betterware	260	...	...	0.6	35.8
31	22	Blacks Leis	23	...	3.3	...	4.7
227	133	Body Shop	215	+1	1.6	0.9	24.8
15½	12	Brown & Jackson	14½	...	...	0.7	-
401	318	Brown (N)	364	-1	6.0	2.1	22.5
84	64½	Burton	79½	...	...	3.2	...
145	126	Cantors	144	...	...	2.3	19.1
350	286	Church	350	+25	12.5	4.5	31.1
183	97	Clinton Cards	142†	...	4.2	3.7	-
247	212	Coats Viyella	244	-2	...	3.7	26.8
106	78	Colourvision	88	...	...	...	14.9
469	374	Courts Furnish	469	...	5.0	1.3	23.5
155	115	Crown Eyes	136	...	...	5.6	6.3
106	89	Dairy Farm Intl	100	-2	...	3.7	-
65	51½	Dewhirst (IJ)	62½	...	1.0	2.0	...
281	196½	Dixons Grp	231	+13	6.0	3.6	24.8
387	320	Dunhill	379	+6	7.7	2.5	13.1
21	12½	ERA Gp	14	...	...	...	...
530	400	Elys (Wimbldn)	400	...	16.0	5.2	-
115	71	Essex Furn	104	...	...	3.3	17.6
226	203	Etam	215	+4	6.6	3.8	19.2
562	499	Fine Art Dev	554	+1	11.0	2.5	21.3
50	26	Fired Earth Tiles	38	...	...	...	...
500	498	Forminster	498	...	12.5	3.1	10.4
51	24	French Conna	50	...	...	...	...
47	21	Gabicci	46	...	2.0	...	9.2
65	43	Gent SR	49	...	2.0	5.1	14.4
41	23	Goldsmiths Gp	35	...	1.8	...	...
2705	2400	GUS	2703	+53	40.0	1.8	21.5
1728	1563	-do- 'A'	1633	+40	40.0	3.1	13.0
40	34	Hampden Grp	36†	...	3.5	...	-
277	101	Harstone	111	+1	4.8	5.5	6.8
25½	20	Helene Plc	23†	...	2.0	10.9	-
42	29	Heritage	39	...	...	...	...
62	35	Honeysuckle	56	+7	...	2.2	7.9
189	128	Hse of Lerose	185	...	10.3	7.0	-
66	63	Jacques Vert	66	+3	2.0	...	...
595	496	Kingfisher	592	+5	...	2.9	16.7
74	62½	Leslie Wise Gp	70	...	4.0	7.1	14.4
685	495	Liberty	580	...	7.2	1.6	39.5
313	265	Lloyds Chem	289	+3	5.5	2.4	11.3
152	120	MFI	129	...	...	1.6	17.2
360	311	Marks Spencer	354	+2	7.1	2.5	21.5
490	445	Menzies (John)	488	+2	10.0	2.6	16.2
152	135	Moss Bros	151	...	5.0	4.1	29.1
174	139½	Next	164½	+1½	2.5	1.9	-
24	15	Oliver (G)	24	-1	...	...	...
250	197	Oriflame Intl	215	+16	...	5.6	14.0
63	45	Pentos	49	...	1.5	3.9	-
313	255	QS Hldgs	282	+2	5.1	2.3	-
19	11	Ratners Group	16½	+½	2.4	18.2	...
35	20½	Rhino Grp	29½	...	...	...	-
162	137	Sherwood Gp	157†	...	2.6	2.1	-
106	93	Sears	105	+3	...	4.2	28.8
498	400	Smith WH 'A'	432	+10	13.4	3.9	15.2
14½	4½	Specialeyes	9	...	...	...	...
219	176	Storehouse	198	+1	5.0	3.2	...
191	154	T & S Stores	154†	-1	5.9	4.8	-
133	71	Tie Rack	125	-6	1.0	1.0	-
213	160	Time Products	200	...	7.5	4.7	19.6
100	63	Usher (Frank)	92	-1	...	0.8	7.3
45	27	Vivat	36	...	1.0	3.5	11.1
40	35	Wensum	40	+1	...	...	7.1
104	78	Wickes	97	...	...	...	43.0
60	45	Wld of Leather	51	-4	...	...	...
191	146	Wyevale	190	-1	...	2.6	-
3½	2½	Xtra-vision	3½	...	...	...	3.7

ELECTRICALS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
182	147	ACT Group	158	...	4.5	3.6	15.6
238	223	Acala	238	...	...	3.1	19.9
162½	38	Acorn Compu	105	...	...	...	53.2
480	385	Admiral	443	...	5.4	1.5	18.7
131	104	Alba	130	...	4.7	4.6	17.1
43	19½	Alphameric	37	...	...	...	...
39½	22	Amstrad	35½	+½	0.4	...	...
128	95	App Holo	95	-3	...	...	...
17	13	Arlen	13	...	...	...	...
53½	35½	Astec	53	...	...	...	-
290	250	Beales Hunter	277	+4	9.2	4.2	14.6
9	3½	Bennett & Fount	5	...	...	...	...
381	319	BICC	346†	+2	19.2	7.0	23.4
575	453	Blick	480	...	9.2	2.4	18.7
1650	1150	Borland	1250	...	...	...	...
309	234	Bowthorpe	309	+6	6.3	2.6	-
449½	376	BT	425	+7	14.4	4.2	15.8
9	5½	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	7½	-½	0.1	1.7	...
151	130	Burnfield	139	...	5.7	5.2	22.0
760	689	Cable Wireless	733	+5	13.2	2.3	22.6
14½	11½	Chloride	12½	...	...	...	...
251	229	CML Micro	250	...	...	2.4	16.5
98	74	Comptr People	98	...	0.6	0.9	...
151	108½	Cray Elect	135	+1	...	0.5	11.0
336	243	Critchley	310	-1	...	2.5	22.0
485	414	Delta	485	+18	14.0	3.6	-
298	205	Denmans Ele	295	...	...	2.7	12.1
620	460	Domino	500	...	7.2	1.8	17.1
65	48	Dowding Mills	55†	...	2.5	5.7	18.1
1010	865	Druck	1010	+15	...	1.2	24.6
411	358	Electrocomps	384	-2	7.0	2.3	20.8
573	470	El Data Prc	555	...	5.1	1.1	15.2
75	43	Electron House	73	-4	2.3	4.0	22.5
20	10½	Emess	20	+½	0.1	0.6	-
586	442	Eurotherm	586	+7	8.0	1.7	26.7
128	108	FKI	122½	+2½	2.3	2.3	23.7
391	340	Farnell Elect	375	-1	5.8	1.9	20.4
37	35	Ferdtrack	37	...	...	...	...
18	9½	Ferranti	15½	...	...	...	...
156	101	First Tech	156	+6	...	...	...
203	81	Forward Gp	179	+2	...	1.7	21.5
21	17	Forward Tech	17	...	...	...	...
329½	264	GEC	322	+7	9.6	3.7	17.0
182	132	Graseby	172	...	10.9	7.9	-
39	39	Hilcrest	39	...	...	1.6	12.7
466	451	Hoskyns Gp	465	...	2.4	0.6	59.9
120	83	INSTEM	101	+1	...	3.9	-
378	320	Jones Stroud	378	...	8.0	2.6	16.5
9	8	Kembrey	9	+½	0.3	3.2	3.4
321	260	Kenwood App	307	...	...	...	16.3
181	47	Kewill Syst	170	-7	...	...	8.5
203	100	Kode	179	+1	5.5	3.8	21.2
46	16	Laser-Scan	33	+3	...	...	...
365	122	LEMS	290	+1	...	...	...
300	240	Lec Refrig	265†	...	9.0	4.2	...
179	142	Life Sciences	142	...	3.5	3.1	15.4
212	164	Logica	212	...	3.6	2.2	25.0
54	44	LPA Inds	45	...	...	9.8	12.7
212	184	MR Data Mngmt	184	-2	4.3	2.9	17.6
673	523	Macro 4	673	...	...	2.4	22.6
630	527	Memvier-Sw	609	...	...	1.8	20.0
3013	2083	Micro Focus	2188	-20	...	...	20.2
227	188	Microgen	200	...	7.2	4.5	13.6
34½	24	Microvitec	22	-½	...	...	...
514	357	Misys	484	...	6.1	1.6	22.1
151	98	Mitel	145	-2	...	...	...
158	111	MMT Compu	112	...	...	3.9	14.2
27	19	Molynx	19	...	...	8.6	1.8
272	202	MTL Instr	215	...	...	2.1	16.2
165	134	Muirhead Elec	134	-1	3.0	2.8	16.4
149	116	Murray Enter	147	...	1.8	1.6	68.3
6412½	5425	NYNEX	5750	-87½	...	...	...
188	140	Neotronics	161	...	2.6	2.0	20.8
63	42	Newmark (L)	63†	+3	...	...	...
100	58	Norbain	94	...	...	1.3	14.1
42	20	Northamber	38	-1	0.5	1.6	...
15½	9	Oceonics	11½	...	...	...	7.5
245	195	Oxford Inst	245	+1	4.3	2.2	16.5
72	48	P-E Intern'l	62	...	1.0	2.0	...
72	29	P&P	69	...	1.4	2.5	36.6
80	55	Peek	72½	+½	3.4	6.1	18.3
190	115	Pegasus	175	-3	...	4.6	44.4
9000	9000	Philips Fn 4%	9000	...	...	6.4	...
1050	725	-do- Lmp nv	912½	-12½	...	...	...
452	343	Pitco	447	...	7.7	2.2	37.9
432	303	-do- 'A' Voting	427	...	7.7	2.3	36.2
96	76	Plasmec	76	...	...	6.4	-
104	76	Pressac	86	...	2.4	3.5	17.4
129	103	Psion	115†	+4	...	2.7	30.5
11	6½	Ptarmigan	7	...	...	...	...
213	160	Racal Elect	213	+1	1.5	0.9	25.2
51	43	Radamec	51	...	1.0	3.8	-
70	45	Radius	55	...	...	6.1	19.0
92	61	Real Time	65	...	...	5.8	5.9
29	18	Rivas	21	...	...	...	...
610	488	Sage Gp	587	+3	9.0	1.0	18.8
66	49	Scantronic	65	...	2.9	5.7	20.5
142	117	Scholes Grp	118	...	5.0	5.3	23.2
330	230	Sema Gp	290	...	2.8	1.2	23.4
39	26	Silvermines	38	...	...	8.3	...
45	37	Soundtracks	44	...	...	6.2	14.8
2437½	1737½	TDK	2250	-75	...	1.3	22.5
16½	4½	TDS Circuits	14	+2	...	...	...
141	80	Telemetrix	138	...	0.6	0.5	48.1
899	809	THORN EMI	895	+3½	30.1	4.2	23.1
111	96	Thorpe FW	105	-1	2.5	3.0	10.8
103	75	Total Systems	85	...	2.2	3.3	15.2
429	372	Tunstall	403	-2	6.0	1.9	18.1
240	164	Unitech	229	...	5.8	3.2	40.1
11½	6	Vecky	9	...	...	...	...
37½	24	Vistec	30	...	...	1.3	25.6
434	370	Vodafone	380	-6	...	1.9	18.6
441	374	Volex	411	...	...	5.2	20.9
22	11	Western Selectn	21	...	...	...	...
245	223	Wholesale Ftgs	233	+1	11.7	6.3	22.2

ELECTRICITY

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
487	389	East Midlands	468	+8	17.1	4.6	9.0
496	399	Eastern Elec	479½	+7½	16.7	4.4	11.9
356	304	Hydro—Elec	337	+1	10.1	3.8	12.0
507½	404	London Elect	479	+3	16.8	4.4	9.2
549	458	Manweb	532	+7	18.2	4.3	7.7
514	424½	Midlands Elec	497	+8	17.2	4.3	10.4
549	440	Northern Elec	526	+4	18.5	4.4	7.8
544	439	Norweb	536	+6	17.2	4.2	9.9
337	285	Scottish Power	316½	+2	10.1	4.0	11.8
529	436	Seaboard	506	+5	17.2	4.3	9.1
571	469	Sth Wales	540	+6	19.4	4.5	8.6
532	426	Sth Western	504	+3	17.4	4.3	9.1
496	406	Southern Elec	475	+7	16.6	4.4	9.4
552	455	Yorkshire Elec	527	+5	17.7	4.2	9.8
354½	273	National Powr	342½	-½	9.1	3.3	11.3
353	273	PowerGen	347½	-1½	...	3.8	10.8

FINANCE, LAND

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
60½	53	Aitken Hume	54	...	0.5	...	34.5
75	47	BWD	75	...	...	5.3	11.7
90	26	Baltic Plc	89	...	1.0	1.4	-
453	428	Caledonia	432	...	14.4	4.2	16.6
1500	1075	Camellia	1400	-25	27.0	2.4	11.8
298	243	Candover	250	...	10.2	5.1	17.7
91	71	Flextech	87	...	...	...	8.6
302	155	Govett	302	+5	...	5.5	8.6
145	125	Ivory Sime	144	...	...	5.5	15.1
6½	3½	LIT	4½	...	...	...	...
12	11	Lightship	12#	...	...	...	...
193	154	Lon Forfaitngs	192	...	8.4	5.6	13.6
57	47	Manakin	55	...	...	...	...
10½	7½	Nat Home Loan	10½	+½	...	...	...
47	40	Newmarket	46	...	...	...	...
272	246	Rathbone Brs	271	...	6.0	2.8	-
22	17	Rutland Tst	20	...	0.8	5.0	...
330	280	S & U	305	+5	...	3.4	11.0
67	48	Singer & Fried	62†	...	2.6	5.2	-
938	788	Sothebys	838	-12	...	4.9	...
100	83	SIP Capital	100	+1	3.0	3.8	18.1

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1950	1487½	Amer Express	1850†	-40½	...	...	...
234	183	Electra	217	+2	6.7	3.9	28.6
978	835	Henderson Ad	920	-3	41.0	5.6	20.3
120	92	Invesco MIM	115†	+1	3.0	3.3	-
218	164	Jardine Strat	191	...	...	4.1	8.6
194	154	MAI	185	...	6.0	4.1	13.4
469	389	MAM	459	...	11.5	3.1	18.3
795	633	M & G	790	...	20.0	3.2	21.0
225	115	Smith New Crt	208	-3	4.5	2.7	8.3
97	97	Sterling Tst	97#	...	...	...	8.5
78	55	Trio Hldgs	68	...	...	5.5	...

FOODS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
515	461	AB Food	478	-1	14.0	3.7	10.8
77½	53	ASDA Group	69	+½	...	2.9	22.3
225	170	Acatos & Hutch	185	-1	6.5	4.4	10.7
76	55	Albert Fisher	71	+2	3.7	6.6	11.8
407	320	Argyll	344	+6	9.7	3.5	13.5
25	12	Ashley Group	15	...	0.7	6.3	...
147	127	Assoc Fisheries	140†	...	8.0	7.1	-
210	160	Banks (S C)	210	...	8.2	4.9	10.5
382	310	Barr (AG)	381	+6	6.5	2.1	19.2
94	66	Bensons Crsps	70	...	...	5.6	14.2
135	112½	Berisford Intl	128†	...	...	...	...
455	393	Booker	377†	+13	...	7.2	13.3
50	35	Borthwick	44	...	1.1	3.1	30.7
488	430	Brake Bros	483	...	...	1.6	20.3
51	38	Budgens	46	+4	...	...	15.6
511	444	Cadbury-Schw	470	-2	...	3.5	17.5
89	78	Carrs Milling	83	...	3.9	5.9	16.6
256	137	Clifford Fd 'A'	256	...	11.5	5.8	-
201	178	Cranswick	198	...	...	4.7	14.6
20	8½	Cullens	16	...	0.5	3.9	8.6
384	168	Dalepak	220	+3	6.0	3.4	9.9
491	433	Dalgety	437†	+4	19.5	5.6	12.7
50	27	Daniels S	47†	...	0.2	0.7	...
134	122	Everest	131	...	...	3.3	18.4
295	289	Farepak	292	...	...	2.1	20.7
10	3	Fairingford	8½	...	...	...	...
92	78	Finlay (James)	82	...	4.1	6.3	15.4
125	78	Fyffes	104	...	...	1.4	18.3
483	370	Geest	440	...	8.1	2.3	-
12	7	Global	10½	...	...	6.0	16.3
45	43	Grand Central	43	...	1.1	3.3	...
195½	147	Hazlewood Fds	189	...	6.1	4.0	11.5
171	131	Hillsdown	155†	+4	...	7.1	12.2
44	27	Hunter Saphir	43	...	2.5	...	...
750	616	Iceland Frozen	689†	+11	...	1.8	16.7
131	111	JLI Group	114	...	4.5	4.9	16.4
853	731	Kwik Save	749	+10	16.0	2.7	15.7
262	227	Low (Wm)	227	-2	8.4	4.6	11.0
58	41	Matthews (B)	49	...	2.2	5.7	32.1
16	12½	Merchant Retail	13½	...	1.1	10.0	32.5
174	151	Morrison (W)	153	-1	...	0.7	19.8
538	443	Nichols (JN)	493	...	13.6	3.4	14.3
290	255	Nthn Foods	262	...	...	3.8	14.4
22	14	Nrthmbrn Fds	16	...	...	...	6.7
229	172	Nurdin Peack	205	+1	6.1	3.8	-
241	205	Park Foods	213	...	3.2	1.9	25.5
115	83	Perkins Food	99	...	4.4	5.6	-
96½	47	PizzaExpress	67	+1	...	0.9	38.5
3½	1½	Regina Hldgs	2½	+½	...	...	...
504	455	Sainsbury J	466	...	8.7	2.3	17.4
68	33	Sentry Farms	58	...	...	2.2	13.6
225	174	Sims Food	174	-1	11.2	8.1	9.4
439	391	Tate & Lyle	413	-2	12.0	3.6	15.2
273	220	Tesco	226½	+6½	7.1	3.9	-
211	171	Thorntons	172	...	3.6	2.7	16.0
173	101	Tresilla	173	...	...	2.6	19.7
375	300	Unigate	362	-3	15.3	5.3	12.9
414	340½	Utd Biscuits	386	-4	...	5.0	19.9
25	21½	Usborne	24	...	0.4	2.1	14.8
337	248	Watson & Phil	301	-1	13.3	5.5	15.7

HOTELS, CATERERS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
16	16	Abrdn Stk Hs	16	...	...	...	...
89	77	City Centre Rest	81†	-1	1.5	2.4	-
209	170	Forte	194†	+2	7.5	4.8	-
199	155	Friendly Hotels	159	...	5.7	4.6	-
9	6½	Harmony Leis	7½	-1	...	...	...
110	87	Jurys Hotel	108	...	...	5.6	12.7
215	166	Ladbroke	172	+1	...	6.1	22.7
73	59	Mandarin Orntl	62	-2	...	5.5	-
99	44	Queens Moat	47½#	...	2.8	7.6	6.3
99	83	-do- 7¼% cvpr	85#	...	7.5	11.0	...
2½	¼	Regal Hotels	1½	...	...	...	...
56	28	Resort Hotels	36	...	3.4	12.0	7.1
795	700	Savoy Hotel 'A'	745†	-10	7.0	1.2	...
54	34½	Stakis	48	...	...	1.2	...

INDUSTRIALS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
224	183	AAF Inds	203†	+1	...	5.2	12.1
516	499	AAH	499	-1	16.3	4.1	15.6
172	140	ABM	141	...	6.5	5.8	8.7
132	100	APV	105½	-½	5.4	6.3	-
182	81	ASW	175	-1	6.0	4.3	...
155	126	Adwest	147†	...	7.0	6.0	20.9
16	10	Aerospace Eng	16	+2	1.0	...	9.7
468	434	Airsprung	435	...	7.5	2.2	12.1
193	113	Alexdr W	127	...	3.8	3.8	-
13½	7	Allied Radio	7	...	...	...	...
527	415	Alumasc	525	...	11.0	2.6	16.1
35	17	Alvis	29	...	1.0	4.3	0.0
430	345	Amber Ind	365	...	17.0	5.8	9.8
38	18	Amberley Grp	30	...	...	4.2	...
145	135	Andrews Sykes	141	...	4.4	3.9	...
893	703	Antofagasta	850	...	...	2.4	-
59½	37	Armour	44	...	1.4	4.2	12.9
170	143	Ash & Lacy	160	-1	6.4	5.0	-
3½	2½	Ass Br Eng	3	...	0.0	2.1	...
555	445	Avon Rubber	515	-5	16.5	4.0	20.0
235	168	Assoc Nwsp	215	...	...	...	8.2
687½	549½	Atlas Equip	678†	...	...	4.1	-
48	35	Ayrshire Metal	41	...	...	...	...
172	147	BBA	153	...	...	6.1	-
43	28	BLP Group	43	-3	...	...	...
77	16	BM Gp	16†	-1	5.0	...	0.7
770	698	BOC	736	+4	23.2	4.1	15.7
79½	62	BSG	63½	+½	...	6.3	-
422	353	BSS Group	413	+5	...	5.2	16.5
619	530	BTR	617	+4	...	3.6	20.3
221	188	BWI	190†	+2	6.7	4.4	18.3
41½	31	Babcock	37	-½	3.1	...	7.7
7½	4½	Bailey (CH)	6½	...	...	...	...
289	241	Baird (Wm)	246	-1	8.9	4.5	-
1062½	550½	Barlow Rand	575	-18½	...	0.6	2.9
[illegible]	7	Barrett (H)	7#	...	2.0	...	16.2
63	48	Baynes (Charles)	59	...	1.4	3.0	-
15	5	Beaufort	6	...	1.8	...	...
8½	6½	Beckenham	8½	+½	...	7.4	...
34	15	Bedford (W)	30	...	...	...	...
27½	21	Benson Group	21	...	0.1	0.6	19.4
707	543	Bespak	545	...	9.0	2.1	17.0
133	110	Bibby (J)	111	...	9.2	11.7	6.1
240	129	Billam (J)	240	+23	5.0	2.6	-
33½	21½	Bilston Burness	29	...	...	...	...
11½	7½	Bimec Ind	8½	...	0.6	...	...
158	126	Birkby	145	...	...	0.9	...
43	32	Black Arrow	33	...	2.1	8.0	7.9
1½	½	Black & Edgtn	1½	...	...	...	...
183	136	Black (Peter)	164	+1	2.9	2.2	16.9
196	129	Bluebird Toys	186	-3	...	3.0	-
587	494	Bodycote	584	+20	10.0	2.2	-
563	461	Boots	486	+11	...	3.4	18.2
61	45	Booth Inds	48	...	3.2	8.3	5.0
517	435½	Bowater	498	+6	11.5	2.9	19.7
1682	1335	Bowater Inc	1487†	+4	...	...	...
248	199	Boxmore Intl	236†	+4	...	1.9	-
18	12½	Braeway	16	...	0.5	4.5	20.7
298	204	Brammer	253†	...	13.0	6.4	-
19½	12	Bridgend Gp	13½	...	1.2	...	6.1
100	64	Bridon	89	+1	4.0	5.8	-
66	53	Bridport-Gndry	58†	...	4.1	8.8	10.9
40	31	Brierley Inv	33	...	...	9.6	8.1
308	278	Br Bldg & Eng	278	-5	...	1.1	...
59	42	Br Bloodstock	52	...	...	...	...
495	417	Br Polythene	462†	-1	...	2.5	-
97	54	Br Steel	92½	-3	...	1.4	...
120	100	Br Syphon	120	...	3.0	3.1	33.6
14½	11½	Br Thornton	13½	+1	...	2.3	...
268	216	Br Vita	220	+2	7.1	4.1	13.5
13	6½	Britton Grp	10½	+½	0.0	0.3	...
730	535	Broken Hill	693	-4	...	2.6	30.4
109	78	Bromsgrve Ind	101	+2	4.0	5.0	13.9
10½	6½	Brooke Tool	7	...	...	...	...
68	51	Brown & Tawse	62	...	4.7	...	...
118	91	Bullough	94	+2	6.0	8.0	16.1
26	16	Business Tech	16	...	...	...	19.3
28	17	CI Group	27	+1	2.0	9.5	11.1
25	15	Campbl & Arm	24	...	2.0	...	...
14½	6½	Cannon St	9½	+1½	3.3	...	...
240	205	Cape	234	...	10.5	5.6	14.9
214	178	Carclo Eng	211	...	...	4.0	17.7
2888	2138	Carnaud Md	2438	-25	...	2.7	-
78	68	Cassidy Bros	70	...	...	4.3	7.8
167	158	Castings	166	...	4.0	3.1	11.8
145	113	Chamberlin Hill	140	...	6.0	5.4	8.4
707	609	Charter Cons	623	+2	21.5	4.3	15.0
270	220	Chemring	261	...	...	3.9	15.7
92	69	Chieftain Gp	69	...	5.1	9.2	14.8
30	17	Chillington	23	+1	0.5	2.7	...
187	144	Christies Int	179	+7	1.5	1.0	-
61	34	Clayhithe	56	...	2.5	5.6	...
90	80	Clayton Son	83	...	3.0	4.5	...
7	7	Co Designers	7#	...	0.2	...	...
400	350	Cohen (A)	350	...	10.0	...	...
223	179	Community H	180	...	6.5	4.5	11.2
246	189½	Concentric	231	-4	...	3.0	18.5
176	120	Cook (Wm)	149	...	10.0	...	10.0
206	182	Cookson	206	+2	...	3.7	-
45	38	Copymore	46	...	...	7.5	8.8
238	176	Crowell Fltr 'A'	176	...	5.7	4.0	15.0
178	147	Cosalt	158	...	10.7	8.5	24.0
224	180	Creighton Nts	180	-1	...	4.9	13.0
40	27	CrestaCare	38	+2	0.5	1.6	-
3456½	2997½	Dana	3193¾†	-68½	...	...	...
685	314	Danka Bs Sys	626	-4	3.7	0.7	19.3
16	5	Davies (DV)	16	...	...	...	...
707	642	De La Rue	694	+5	15.0	2.7	21.3
25	16	Dinkie Heel	21†	...	0.9	5.7	-
481	391	Diploma	461	-6	9.7	2.6	24.0
65	50	Dobson Park	58	...	5.7	12.4	10.4
98	92	Dyson (J&J)	97	...	5.0	6.4	13.9
65	57	-do- 'A'	64	...	5.0	4.8	9.2
18	9	EFG	17	...	...	...	...
430	379	EIS	388	-25	...	3.9	-
15½	9½	EIT Gp	9½	...	...	...	...
28	19	Eldief	28	...	...	...	...
43	23	Eleco	23	-1	3.3	...	13.5
2390	1925	Electrolux 'B'	2075	+21½	...	2.7	-
66	45	Elliott (B)	59	-1	...	...	...
484	424	Eng China Cl	434	-5	20.0	5.8	-
2400	1550	Ericsson 'B'	2400	...	...	1.3	-
76	27	Erskine Hse	39	...	...	7.3	4.1
44	32	Eurocopy	43	...	1.6	4.2	16.7
73	47	Expamet	65	+8	3.2	6.2	-
635	499	Fairey Group	606†	+2	10.2	2.1	-
95	53	Fenner	65	...	4.2	8.1	12.3
61	33	Ferrads Group	54	...	...	2.3	12.3
1½	½	Ferromet	1	...	...	...	...
29	23	Ferrum	23	...	2.5	14.5	15.1
35	28	Fife Indmar	28	...	0.5	2.2	...
251	157	Fisons	162†	+5	...	6.7	17.4
50	29	Fitzwilton	50	+2	...	10.1	...
235	215	Flogas	240	...	...	4.2	9.9
43	40	Folkes Group nv	41	...	2.3	7.2	8.3
74	56	French (Thomas)	66	...	3.6	6.9	33.1
210	166½	Frost Group	189½	...	4.0	2.7	-
85	71	GEI Int	83	...	7.3	11.0	17.1
489	441	GKN	452	-2	...	5.7	20.2
51	42	GR Hldgs	46†	...	...	5.4	...
87	79	Garton Eng	79	...	4.0	6.6	...
160	111	Gestetner	116	...	8.2	8.8	5.1
36	23	Gleves	29	...	...	...	21.0
801	545	Glaxo	580	+17	17.0	3.7	16.0
36	16	Glenchewton	25	...	...	...	...
293	245	Glynwed	292	+3	11.6	5.1	-
93	66	Goode Durrant	85	...	5.4	7.9	18.0
133	102	Grampian Hd	133	+4	5.5	5.2	-
406	341	Granada	400	+6	7.7	2.4	21.3
355	301	Great Shrm	354†	+2	...	3.9	14.5
86	78	Green (Ernst)	86	+1	...	10.2	11.9
12	8½	Greenacre	11½	+½	...	3.1	-
17	8	Guardian Grp	12	...	...	...	...
42½	30½	Haden MacLn	40½	-½	2.0	6.3	-
83	44	Hadleigh Inds	62	-2	...	...	...
198	115	Hall Eng	198	+9	8.6	5.5	16.5
258	215	Halma	234	...	2.2	1.2	28.0
49	30	Hampson Ind	35	...	3.3	...	9.5
269½	228	Hanson	235	+1½	...	6.1	12.0
221	187	Harris (Philip)	212†	-1	...	4.0	15.0
186	147	Harrisn Crsfld	165†	...	...	6.8	22.5
60	38	Havelock Euro	59	...	1.5	...	...
4	1½	Hawthorn Les	1½	...	...	...	...
51	20	Hay (Norman)	33	...	...	...	...
25	17	Headway	24	...	0.7	3.6	12.7
363	301	Hepworth	340	+4	14.8	5.5	-
225	160	Hewitt (J)	210	...	3.0	1.8	16.4
38	15	High-Point	28	...	1.3	...	...
127	112½	Hill & Smith	125	...	...	5.6	17.4
10	7	Hobson	8	...	...	...	...
104	87	Holders Tech	100	...	...	7.5	-
40	30	Hopkinsons	35	...	3.7	...	10.1
167	138	Hornby	151	...	...	7.5	-
13½	6	Hospital Crp	6	...	...	16.7	1.6
67	54½	Howden	65	...	...	4.1	10.0
238	178	Hunting	222†	-2	...	5.8	-
1075	808	Huntligh Tec	1070	+95	...	1.2	-
285	247	IMI	282	+2	10.0	4.4	-
108	90	ISA Intl	97†	...	1.5	1.9	15.1
205	179	Invercare Gp	184	-1	...	1.8	19.5
255	235	Isotron	248	...	3.0	2.0	15.9
493	360	Jardine Math	421	-14	...	3.1	-
537	438	Johnson Matth	444	+5	9.6	2.7	18.4
64	52	Johnson & FB	59½	...	3.0	7.0	16.5
136	104	Johnston	106	...	3.2	3.9	-
32	19	Jones Shipman	24	-1	...	...	...
30	18	Jourdan (T)	29	...	0.7	3.3	...
47½	26	Kalamazoo	40	...	...	...	37.9
157	73	Kalon	155½	-½	3.2	2.6	-
297	253	Kelsey Ind	278	...	13.0	5.8	...
545	465	Kershaw (A)	510	...	27.0	6.6	26.5
118	75	Kleeneze	106	...	...	...	...
118	61	LGW	118	...	3.0	3.2	9.8
303	266	Laird	284	+1½	10.5	4.6	-
136	105	Lee (Arthur)	133	...	5.9	5.5	56.5
136	110	Lilleshall	121	...	4.2	4.4	14.9
153	97	Linear	149	...	...	4.3	12.9
18	4½	Lincoln Hse	15½	...	...	...	12.8
128	76	Linread	107†	-1	3.7	4.4	-
195	170	Linton Park	185	...	13.0	8.8	32.4
14½	10½	Lionheart	12	...	0.2	2.1	...
19½	15	Locker (T) A	16	...	1.0	7.8	50.4
274	191	Lon Intl	196	+4	9.4	6.0	13.3
93	70	Londie	84	+½	...	6.0	...
342	269	Low & Bonar	321	-4	...	3.5	-
343	283	MB-Caradon	297†	-8	8.6	3.6	-
169½	140½	-do- pf	153†	-2	7.2	5.9	...
25	14½	ML Hldgs	21	...	1.8	...	20.3
35	27	MS Intl	34	...	2.5	9.2	47.5
50	39	MY Holdings	41†	...	...	3.0	12.5
283	236	Macfarlane	257†	-1	4.7	2.3	-
430	379	McKechnie	417	...	14.7	4.4	21.7
106	88	McLeod Russel	103	...	6.0	7.3	12.6
10½	7	Maddox	7	-½	...	...	...
74	66	Magnolia	69†	...	0.1	0.2	-
106	71	Mang Bronze	94	...	1.0	1.3	...
27	22	Marling	23	...	0.3	...	...
170	124	Mayborn	172†	...	...	3.6	14.3
47	29	Mayflower	45†	...	...	3.5	-
236	191½	Medeva	211	+½	...	1.3	17.1
103½	88	Meggitt	100½	+½	3.7	4.7	-
130	111	Metair	112	-1	4.0	4.5	-
76	70	Metsec	70	...	...	...	...
66	39	Midsummer	63	+4	...	1.5	-
19½	14	Mining & Ald	19	...	0.5	3.3	...
488	368	Molins	456	-4	14.0	3.8	-
345	262	Morgan Cble	273†	...	12.6	5.8	-
145	134	Morris Ashby	135	...	...	4.4	11.7
31	18	Neepsend	30	...	1.5	...	...
60	34	Nestor-BNA	50†	+2	3.1	7.9	-
147	122	Nobo Gp	144	...	3.5	3.0	17.6
165	127½	Norcros	162	...	7.0	5.4	27.8
43	35	Novo Group	39	...	...	1.0	...
329	310	Nu-Swift	311	...	...	8.0	8.6
53	36	Office Elec Mac	47	...	0.1	0.3	...
39½	21	OMI Intl	25	...	1.7	8.7	...
140	133	PCT	133	...	...	0.6	12.1
48	44	Paper Systems	44†	...	...	8.3	...
138	115	Pentland	115	-½	...	2.7	-
380	310	Photo-Me	350	...	4.1	1.6	17.8
127	97½	Pilkington	127	+7	6.0	5.9	46.2
32	19	Platon	29	...	...	...	...
79	58	Plantsbrook	68	...	3.0	5.7	-
148	126	Polypipe	144	-1	1.9	1.7	20.8
517	485	Portals	491	...	14.5	3.8	-
32	19	Porter Chadbrn	20	+1	2.5	15.6	4.9
7½	5½	Porth Gp	7	...	...	...	...
376	305	Powerscreen	355	...	6.0	2.1	30.1
20	16½	Prospect Inds	16½	...	0.7	5.6	8.4
54	37½	RFS Group	53	...	...	5.2	11.7
45	73	Radiant Metal	85	...	...	...	...
148	77	Ranco Oils	112	...	...	2.2	79.9
744	636	Rank Org	688	+22	31.0	5.6	19.1
33	23	Ransomes	27	+1	...	...	...
687	588	Reckitt Colm	598	-4	...	3.4	23.6
77	50	Record	76	...	3.8	6.1	36.2
4	2½	Reece	3½	...	...	...	13.1
169	131	Relyon	152	...	4.9	4.0	-
303	275	Renishaw	283	...	6.5	2.9	21.7
60	55	Renold	58	...	1.0	2.2	...
1438	1266	Reuters	1271	+6	21.2	2.1	21.0
30	24½	Rexmore	28	...	1.7	7.8	6.9
120	91	Ricardo Group	108	+1	5.7	6.6	30.4
61	58	Richard (Leics)	60	...	4.4	9.2	6.0
78	63	Richardson West	70	...	3.0	5.4	-
128	109	Ropner	122	-2	8.2	8.8	-
132	97	-do- 'A'	114	-2	8.2	9.4	-
38	28	Ross Gp	33†	...	0.654	2.5	-
448	395	Rotork	437†	-1	11.1	3.2	-
135	100	Rubicon	130	...	...	1.4	...
65	43	Russell (A)	49	+1	1.0	2.6	...
26	15	SRP Indl	24½	...	0.6	3.4	-
800	625	SKF 'B'	687½	+12½	...	5.9	...
291	222	Sanderson Elec	279	+6	9.0	4.0	11.9
52	39	Savage	49	...	...	0.6	64.5
45	39	Savile Grdn (J)	39	-1	2.2	7.1	15.4
248	223	Scapa	225	-1	5.3	3.0	18.3
238	192	Scholl	193†	...	6.3	4.1	-
6½	4	Scot Heritable	4	...	...	...	...
990	928	Securicor	929	...	2.6	0.4	35.3
668	580	-do- 'A'	582	+2	2.6	0.6	-
565	479	Security Serv	480	...	5.0	1.3	23.7
94	77	Senior Eng	90½	+1	3.1	4.4	-
361	306	Seton Health	323	+4	...	2.0	20.7
53	42	Sheldon Jones	53	...	...	...	...
97	88	Shiloh	96	...	2.7	3.7	25.5
361	295	Sidlaw	298	...	10.0	4.2	13.9
501	427	Siebe	467	+7	...	2.4	19.7
305	220	Silentnight	290	...	8.0	3.4	16.1
121	102	Sime Darby	103	...	...	4.3	12.7
142	92	Simon Eng	117	-1	5.0	5.3	26.8
289	235	Sinclair (Wm)	254	...	7.0	3.4	16.4
47	42	Six Hundred	45	...	2.5	6.9	...
164	143½	Smith & Neph	144	...	...	4.1	18.8
513	389	Smithkline	444	+12	8.6	2.4	15.9
450	340	Smthkline Uts	389	+11	...	3.4	13.9
394	320	Smiths Ind	330	+4	11.2	4.3	13.5
140	79	Sthn Bus	85	...	3.3	5.0	8.0
376	265	Spandex	375	...	...	2.2	-
475	300	Spear (JW)	475	+5	14.0	3.8	-
362	314	Spirax-Sarco	340†	+1	9.3	3.4	-
145	55	Spring Ram	71†	+9	0.3	0.6	-
220	231	Staveley	235	...	8.2	4.4	13.4
147	126	Sterling Ind	140	...	5.6	5.0	17.5
20	11	Stonehill	17½	-1½	...	...	...
154	97	Suter	139	...	8.8	7.9	-
317	244	Swire Pacfc 'A'	307	-10	...	2.9	-
8	5½	Sycamore	5½	...	...	...	...
260	240	Syltone	260	...	9.4	4.5	12.0
198	164	T&N	172†	...	10.8	7.9	-
333	279	TI	299	+4	...	4.5	18.4
18	12	TLS Range	12	...	...	2.7	...
275	218	TT Group	262	+1	6.0	2.9	-
249	220	Takare	236	...	1.8	1.0	-
815	618	Takeda Chem	798	-1	...	0.6	21.2
31	24	Tex Hldgs	31	...	...	...	...
79	70	Tinsley (E)	70	...	...	9.3	8.2
205	150	Titan	204	...	...	2.2	17.7
271	239	Tomkins	247	+3	...	3.2	17.3
94½	67	Trafalgar H	89	+2	...	4.5	6.5
95½	65½	-do- 'A'	89	+2½	...	...	...
570	346	Transfer Tech	529	...	16.0	3.9	-
190	158½	Triplex Lloyd	182	...	7.0	4.8	16.7
253	221	UniChem	222†	-1	5.6	3.2	-
310	290	Unitare	305	...	...	7.0	68.2
29	11½	Unigroup	28	...	...	...	...
1249	1050	Unilever	1130	+7	21.3	2.4	-
8112½	6625	Unilever (NV)	7600	+71½	...	2.7	12.2
653	513	VSEL	650	...	25.0	4.8	7.5
9½	6½	Verson	7½	...	...	...	...
137	95½	Vickers	135	...	...	1.4	...
367	303	Victaulic	304	...	7.8	3.2	-
364	283	Vinten	352	...	7.0	2.5	-
528	427	Vosper Thorny	528	...	13.1	3.1	12.8
45	41	WSP Hldgs	43	...	2.9	8.4	-
468	410	Wagon Ind	416	-5	...	5.1	16.2
78	71	Walker Greenbk	77	+1	3.1	5.2	-
243	201	Wassall	240	+1	2.5	1.3	24.2
38	22	Watford Wdgwd	34	...	...	...	...
675	582	Weir	618	+1	11.8	2.4	-
993	658	Wellcome	734	+32	15.0	2.2	20.3
23½	22½	Wellman	23	...	2.2	...	8.6
495	460	Whatman	490†	...	9.5	2.4	-
339	267	Whessoe	321	...	...	1.1	12.5
10½	4	Whewey	10	...	1.0	12.5	...
50	27	Whitecroft	43	...	4.0	...	4.1
8½	4½	Widney	8	...	...	...	...
76	44	Wilkes (James)	70	...	3.5	6.3	-
365	313	Williams Hldg	321†	+4	12.5	4.9	16.8
26½	17	Wilshaw	25½	...	0.4	1.9	21.3
620	533	Wolseley	590	+4	12.5	2.7	20.5
150	125	Wood (Arthur)	125	...	1.5	1.5	-
45	35	Wyko	40	+3	2.8	...	22.9
58	38	Young (H)	54	...	3.0	6.9	19.8

INSURANCE

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
199¾	158¼	Alex & Alex	165¾	-6½	...	4.2	...
2275	1793¾	Am Gen	2090	-106½	...	3.7	...
45	30	Archer (AJ)	35	...	4.4	15.7	17.0
148	133	Bradstock	136	-1	5.1	4.7	16.8
1475	1078	Britannic	1443†	...	33.5	2.9	-
641	561	Com Union	618	-2	...	4.9	...
1450	1225	Dom & Gen	1440	...	...	1.6	23.8
22	18	FAI	18	-1	...	...	...
615½	551	Gen Accident	579†	+2	26.7	5.8	...
195	160	GRE	178	-1	7.0	4.9	14.8
370	325	Heath C E	325	-3	16.0	6.2	19.1
195	168	Hogg Gp	192	...	8.1	5.4	-
198	164	JIB Group	193	-1	7.5	4.9	19.5
493	408½	Legal & Gen	462	+7	...	5.2	64.9
1026	768	Liberty Life	849	+46	...	1.4	14.7
465	403	Lloyds Abbey	423	+7	17.3	5.1	15.2
295	253	Lloyd Thomp	273†	...	5.6	2.6	20.1
368	274	Londn & Man	333†	...	14.2	5.3	-
362	321	Lowndes Lmb	348	-1	12.6	4.5	13.8
6743½	5757½	Marsh McLn	6081½	-81½	...	3.1	...
97	76	Ordel	77	...	...	8.1	5.7
68	50½	PWS	59	...	4.0	8.5	8.6
342	282½	Prudential	331	-1	...	4.5	22.1
1138	800	Refuge	1058	...	31.5	3.7	29.3
321	258	Royal	316	+7	5.0	2.0	...
183	153	Sedgwick	160	+6	6.0	4.7	19.3
261	216	Steel Burrill	222	-2	13.2	7.5	-
87	58	Sturge Hldgs	58	...	8.2	17.8	5.9
362	307	Sun Alliance	337	+8	14.2	5.3	...
61	50	Trade Indemnity	55	...	...	...	...
287	239	Transatlantic	287	...	12.0	5.2	-
773	499	Utd Friendly	683†	...	14.5	2.7	-
208	171	Willis Corroon	185	...	...	4.5	-
20	13½	Windsor	18	...	...	...	14.1

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1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1708	1548	Alliance	1644	...	45.0	3.4	-
260	226½	Amer Trust	237	...	4.9	2.6	40.2
343	304	Ang & O'seas	339	...	6.8	2.5	43.0
136½	124½	BZW Conv	126½	...	7.8	7.7	14.8
158	133½	Bankers	149½#	-1	3.4	2.9	41.1
288	264	Baring Tribne	274	...	6.4	2.9	43.3
148	131	Berry Starq	142	...	2.0	1.8	48.0
106½	96½	Br Assets	102½	+½	...	5.2	25.1
66	57½	Br Empire Sec	66	+½	0.8	1.7	67.0
17	14	-do- Wnts	16	...	...	...	...
173	156	Br Inv	167	...	4.5	3.4	41.9
164	130	Contl Asset	155	...	2.4	1.9	51.6
195	145	Derby Inc	145	...	16.6	14.3	8.7
235	195	-do- Cap	225	+5	...	...	...
119	90	Drayton Asia	115½	-½	0.7	0.8	...
73	62	-do- Blue Chip	68	...	8.4	16.1	7.3
57	35	-do- Eng Ind	54	...	1.2	2.8	79.1
111	84	-do- Far East	107	-1	0.6	0.7	...
102	95	-do- Korea	102	...	0.5	0.6	...
631	577	Dunedin Inc G	607	...	25.4	5.2	27.9
582	513	-do- Wwde	572	-1	9.5	2.1	58.9
270	222	Dundee & Lon	254	...	12.0	5.9	23.4
50	46	EFM Inc Tst	48½	+½	4.8	12.6	8.7
54	51½	-do- Div Pf	52	...	...	...	...
274	250½	Edinburgh	265	...	8.0	3.8	32.4
155	141	Electric Gen	152	...	3.1	2.5	48.4
97	85	English Scot	95	+2	...	...	...
253	205	European Asset	248	-1	...	3.0	30.2
92	77	Finsbury 'A'	92	...	3.0	4.1	29.6
280	248	Fleming Amer	257	-2½	0.7	0.3	...
206	190½	-do- Claver	203†	...	...	3.3	40.0
366	312	-do- Cont	344	-1	2.8	1.4	...
171	147	-do- Entp	169	...	4.5	3.3	37.9
284	213	-do- F East	264	...	1.5	0.7	...
306	246	-do- Fledg	299½	...	3.0	1.3	...
116	106½	-do- Hi Inc	110	-1	5.8	6.6	18.7
214	136	-do- Japan	206	-2	0.3	0.2	...
271	230	-do- Merc	257½	...	6.7	3.3	-
251	212	-do- Oseas	241	...	4.0	2.1	57.5
229	203	Foreign & Col	222½	...	3.3	1.0	60.6
230	164	-do- Eurotst	193	...	1.2	0.8	...
107	87	-do- German	99	...	0.4	0.5	...
257	191	-do- Pacific	246†	-3	1.9	1.0	-
137½	116	-do- Smaller	135	...	...	1.7	68.6
215	145	GT Japan	208	...	...	0.7	...
117	65	Genl Cons Cap	117	+7	...	...	...
123½	96½	-do- Inc	107½	+½	...	9.8	11.1
145	123	Govett Am Smlr	126	...	...	...	...
240	184	-do- Oriental	240	...	0.9	0.5	...
246	207	-do- Strategy	239	...	6.7	3.5	33.0
373	348	Greenfriar	371	...	6.3	2.1	55.7
10	5	Gresham House	8	...	...	...	...
53	47	Independent Inv	48½	...	0.5	1.3	76.8
134	125	Inv Cap	129	...	5.1	4.9	25.9
92	77	IBS UK Smllr	85½	...	2.0	2.8	21.1
183	150½	Kleinwort Chrt	173	+½	5.0	3.6	33.7
203	176	-do- O'seas	198	+½	3.3	2.1	56.3
126	108	-do- Smlr	113	...	4.0	4.4	27.4
595	540	Law Debenture	584	+1	18.2	3.9	29.2
171	164	Majedie	170	...	...	3.3	32.9
249	221	Merchants	238	...	10.6	5.6	-
5080½	3900	Merrill Lynch	4875†	-112½	...	...	...
440	383	Monks Inv Tst	404	+2	6.7	2.1	54.4
126	105	Mong Gren Inc	124	-1	...	4.6	24.6
37	23	Do Warrants	37	...	...	...	...
47	39	Murray Ensm	42½	-½	0.1	0.5	-
11	4½	Do Wts	9½	...	...	...	...
315	282	Murray Income	311	...	...	4.3	29.6
319	265	-do- Intl	292	...	11.4	4.9	26.3
312	263	-do- Small	297	...	4.0	1.7	64.0
103	98	-do- S/C Inc	99	...	...	13.4	9.6
90	73	-do- S/C Cap	90	...	...	4.5	...
3050	2750	-do- S/C Uts	2950	...	...	...	...
147½	142½	-do- S/C DP	143	...	10.3	5.3	19.2
260	230	-do- Vent	243	...	0.2	0.5	...
71	56½	New Frontier	69	...	6.7	10.8	10.9
85	68	Nwthrog Inc	78	...	2.8	1.2	...
288	249	O'seas Inv Tst	287	...	1.1	0.4	...
362	285	Pacific Assets	345	...	...	...	...
364	187	Do Warrants	247	...	...	2.5	48.7
8200	7050	Personal Assets	8150†	...	1.1	1.2	52.5
119	100	RIT Cap Ptnr	116	-½	9.2	10.0	11.5
123	108	River & Merc	115	...	...	3.5	...
398	350	Robeco	390	...	...	2.1	...
388	346	Rolinco	385	...	...	...	...
240	214	St Andrew Inv	237	...	7.5	4.0	31.9
149½	131	Scot American	140½	...	4.3	3.9	29.7
945	681	Scot Asian	920	-5	...	...	...
325	225	do Warrants	325	...	...	...	...
73	63½	-do- Eastern	69½	...	1.5	2.7	45.7
201	183	Scottish	193½	...	4.6	3.0	40.1
201	178	-do- Mtge	189½	+1	3.9	2.6	44.8
79½	71	-do- Value	79½	...	...	2.8	50.6
1503	1390	Second Allnce	1430	...	36.5	3.2	38.4
84½	74½	Secs Tst of Scot	81½	...	3.2	5.1	-
130	109½	Selective Asset	123	...	1.2	1.2	44.2
21½	14	Sphere Inv	19#	...	3.1	19.9	-
139	112	TR Far East	131	...	4.5	4.3	28.5
140½	126	TR City Of Lon	134†	...	4.7	4.4	28.1
141	110	TR Pacific	128½	-1½	0.3	0.3	...
22½	17	TR Property	20½	...	1.4	...	61.0
69	47	TR Tech Inv	52	...	1.7	4.2	25.8
170	146	TR Smlr Cos	159½	...	3.7	2.9	40.7
315	283	Temple Bar	307	...	13.2	5.4	23.2
90	69	Thrmtn Asian E	86	...	0.5	0.7	...
66	54	Throgmorton	60½	+½	2.3	4.8	24.7
410	363	Throg Dual Cp	398	+5	...	...	...
195	178	USDC Invest	189	...	4.5	3.0	34.8
92	76½	Value Inc Tst	92	+½	...	4.9	24.3
598	542	Whitbread Inv	556	-3	15.0	3.4	36.9
195	181	Witan	193	+2	5.6	3.6	33.8

LEISURE

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
345	269	Airtours	295	...	7.2	3.1	10.4
60	42	Ald Leis	48	...	4.7	...	13.7
272	194	Anglia TV	251	+3	9.2	4.6	-
249	192	Barr & W 'A'	201	...	10.0	6.4	-
1195	930	Boosey Hwks	1170	...	22.0	2.4	-
104	90	Border TV	92	...	...	3.7	12.0
16½	4½	Brent Walker	11	+½	...	...	...
7½	2½	Buckingham Int	3½	...	...	...	...
292	203	Campari	203†	...	12.0	7.4	...
197	171	Capital Radio	192	-1	5.2	3.4	22.4
818	718	Carlton Comm	750	+13	17.0	2.8	22.1
200	158	Castle Comms	183†	...	...	5.8	16.7
1825	1615	Central TV	1773	...	38.0	2.7	-
83	61	Chrysalis	62	+1	...	...	...
610	517	Compass Gp	577	...	12.3	2.7	16.4
350	218	Eurocamp	221	+1	9.7	5.5	9.1
1180	710	Euro Disney	918	-65	...	1.3	...
8	3½	Euro Leisure	4½	...	...	...	9.3
23	15	Ex-Lands	19½	...	...	...	...
317	245	Fairline Boats	310	+6	10.5	4.2	...
378	320	First Leisure	355	-1	6.1	2.2	24.6
515	298	GWR Gp	515	...	...	1.7	36.5
181	149	Grampian	172	...	5.5	4.0	12.1
6	5	Greenwich Comm	5	...	...	...	...
51	19	HTV Group	47	...	...	...	...
76	30	Hi-Tec Sports	36	+1	5.5	...	2.3
11	5½	Kunick	10½	+½	...	...	...
384	262	LWT CP	380	...	4.9	1.6	-
451	327	Man Utd	440†	-2	18.0	5.1	15.1
148	96½	Owners Abrd	112	-1	3.5	3.9	9.0
66	33	The Pelican Gp	53	...	...	2.4	18.2
130	55	Prism Leisure	111	...	...	3.1	12.7
20	16	Quadrant Grp	17	...	4.0	...	7.6
318	291	Radio Clyde	291	...	...	3.7	22.8
162	132	Ramsdens (H)	152	+3	...	3.7	20.2
502	431	Scot TV	446†	...	9.9	2.8	-
60	41	Southern Radio	41	...	0.7	3.4	17.1
209	168	Stanley Leisure	194	...	...	2.7	16.4
7	5½	Sunleigh	6½	...	...	...	...
145	135	Sunset & Vine	138	...	3.5	3.2	16.1
29	29	TSW	29#	...	...	23.8	0.9
420	383	Tanjong	430	...	...	0.6	-
221	150	Thames TV	179	...	7.5	5.2	5.1
2½	1	Ticketing	2½	...	...	...	...
117	84	Tottenham Hot	92	...	...	...	3.0
78	44	Trans World	68	...	...	1.5	24.8
349	224	Ulster TV	349	...	10.0	3.6	10.5
22	16	Wembley	16	...	1.8	...	...
31	7½	Whitegate	22	...	...	...	...
175	110	Yorkshire TV	163	+1	12.0	9.2	4.9
108	83	Zenera Gp	106	...	8.0	9.4	10.7

MINING

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
3287½	1800	Am Gold	3037½	+187½	...	7.2	13.8
1325	1018	Ang Am Coal	1175	+50	...	8.7	5.0
1712½	1125	Ang Am	1612½	+137½	...	4.7	10.1
18½	8½	Anglo Pac Res	15½	+½	...	...	...
91	33	Blyvoors	81	+7	...	8.4	4.0
25½	18	Bracken	21	-1	...	...	1.1
535	233	Buffels	477	+29	...	9.2	10.5
2	1½	Butte	1½	...	...	...	...
684	546	CRA	627	-6	...	3.5	-
19	11	Cluff Res	17½	+½	...	...	...
1150	762½	De Beers	1037½	+25	...	5.1	-
68	37½	Deelkraal	60	+6	...	11.1	3.0
30	7	Doornfontein	23	+1	...	...	...
600	388	Driefontein	554	+37	...	6.7	9.2
289	120	Durban	243	-1	...	...	...
91	47	E Rand Gold	82	+9	...	13.9	2.4
126	62	E Dagga	110	-6	...	...	8.3
206	54	E Rand Prop	194	+23	...	...	...
281	117	Elandsrand	243	+11	...	5.6	5.1
574	292	FS Cons	518	+45	...	10.3	5.2
25	8	FS Dev	16	+1	...	...	...
1258	725	GFSA	1106	+24	...	4.0	15.7
164	125	Gencor	151	+8	...	6.5	11.7
47½	35½	GM Kalgoorli	45	-½	...	3.3	10.3
16½	5	Greenwich R 'A'	13	...	...	...	...
118	49	Grootvlei	112	+19	...	10.2	6.0
245	79	Harmony	239	+34	...	...	...
208	87	Hartes	201	+18	...	...	7.0
14	8½	Inocco	9½	...	...	...	...
765	491	Impala Plat	677	+4	...	...	13.8
13½	6	Kenmare Res	13½	+1½	...	...	...
685	332	Kinross	615	+28	...	9.0	6.1
541	319	Kloof	526	+41	...	3.8	8.0
71	25	Leslie	57	+3	...	8.0	5.2
48	13	Loraine	42	+3	...	...	...
116½	98½	MIM	98½	+2	...	2.5	42.0
964	820	Minorco	964	+39	...	3.9	11.4
120	91	Nth Bkn Hill	118½	+1½	...	4.5	-
1400	610	Orange Free	1350	+125	...	10.3	10.8
709	634	RTZ	658	+8	19.5	4.0	28.7
550	425	Rand Mines	475	...	...	13.6	2.0
133	85	Rand Min Prp	123	...	...	15.2	5.4
335	150	Randfontein	324	+27	...	5.9	4.4
163	115	Renison	160	...	...	3.0	14.5
1075	850	Rustnbrg	909½	+59½	...	5.6	12.9
388	191	St Helena	372	+30	...	7.1	6.9
1050	475	Southvaal	922	+58	...	7.0	14.3
59	18	Stilfontein	58	+6	...	12.4	8.8
141	58	Unisel	129	+12	...	2.6	11.6
3400	1800	Vaal Reefs	3100	+300	...	7.9	4.8
363	154	Welkom	352	+38	...	10.2	9.8
79	26	Western Areas	68	+6	...	...	...
1425	587½	Western Deep	1250	+98½	...	5.6	3.2
247	176	Wstrn Mining	242	-4	...	...	...
660	323	Winkels	599	+20	...	1.9	4.5
84	56	Zambia Copper	67	...	...	...	...
34	18	Zandpan	32	+4	...	...	9.2

MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
238	233	Abbey Panels	238	...	...	...	...
125	95	Airflow Stream	113	-7	0.1	0.1	17.0
116	82	Appleyard	113	...	5.2	5.8	-
275	203	Blechley Mtr	270	-3	8.8	4.1	-
147	120	Bostrom	142†	...	6.0	5.3	-
302	165	Br Aerospace	299	+11	7.0	2.9	...
328	303	Caffyns	303	...	11.5	4.7	40.4
9½	4½	Coverdale	8	+½	...	...	...
130	98	Central Mtrs	127	+1	...	3.9	32.3
26	18	Cook (DC)	19	...	...	...	...
226	156	Cowie (T)	217	+3	6.2	3.6	16.5
110	86	Dag Motors	104†	...	5.7	6.9	-
140	106	Davnprt Vern	140	...	4.0	3.6	17.3
264	155	ERF	205	...	4.0	...	...
117	92	European Mtr	102	-4	...	1.8	...
282	208	Evans Halshaw	272	-2	11.2	5.2	-
290	226	FR Group	272	...	7.2	3.4	-
3600½	2843½	Ford Motor	3500	-106½	...	...	...
2875	2143½	General Mtr	2575	-75	...	2.0	...
51	38	Gowrings	50†	...	2.0	5.0	-
125	85	Henlys	124	-1	3.0	3.0	...
875	660	Honda Motor	862	-6	...	0.7	...
26	15	Jacks (Wm)	26	...	...	...	...
95	66	Jessups	95	...	4.5	5.9	...
136	97	Kwik-Fit	136	+3	3.3	3.3	-
341	281	Lex Service	334	...	10.6	4.0	-
117	85	Lookers	115	...	6.2	6.7	...
152	126	Lucas	132†	-3	7.0	6.6	...
274½	224½	Pendragon	260	...	...	3.2	21.0
161	106	Perry Gp	160	+2	6.0	4.8	-
153	108	Quicks Group	148	...	4.5	3.8	-
139	99	Rolls-Royce	125	...	5.0	5.0	...
148	125	Vardy (Reg)	131	-1	4.0	3.8	20.2
175	121	Westland	175	+1	4.2	3.0	15.5

NEWS, PUBLISHERS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
144	103	Adscene	133	...	4.0	3.8	14.2
330	325	Black (A&C)	325	...	13.0	5.0	19.4
608	488	Blenheim Gp	523	+5	...	2.2	-
308	275	Bristol	305	+2	11.5	4.7	22.6
9200	7775	Daily Mail	9100	...	13.0	1.8	20.5
9150	7700	Daily Mail 'A'	9100	...	13.0	1.8	20.5
305	262	Dorling Kind	266†	...	...	1.4	25.4
365	328	EMAP	357	+2	...	2.6	23.2
983	873	Euromoney Pb	938	...	29.5	3.9	21.1
237	170	Harrington K	224	...	4.5	2.5	18.1
358	233	Haynes Pub	308	...	6.0	2.4	13.2
283	226	Headline	283	...	4.5	2.0	-
140	105	Home Counts	132†	...	6.0	5.7	-
9½	3	Intl Bus Comm	5	+½	...	...	...
8	6½	Intl Cm & Data	7½	...	...	...	...
520	400	Independent	515†	...	...	4.1	-
532	395	Johnston Press	531	...	6.2	1.5	23.0
288	243	Metal Bulletn	276	...	8.0	3.6	19.5
138	88	Mirror Gp	138	+1	...	...	-
373	297	News Corp	362	...	...	0.3	22.9
238	169	News Intl	238	+8	...	0.5	16.5
422	354	Pearson	412	-1	...	3.6	19.3
655	510	Portsmth Sund	650	...	8.6	1.7	16.7
686	618	Reed Intl	675	-3	...	3.1	29.4
146	98	Southnews	141	...	...	1.3	41.6
130	90	Sterling Pubs	116	...	...	2.7	38.3
370	328	Telegraph	370	+7	11.0	3.7	-
825	715	Thomson Corp	775	+10	25.4	4.1	-
347	313	Trinity Intl	343	...	8.7	3.2	-
39	34	Unit Group	34	...	...	...	...
595	494	Utd Nwspprs	586	+6	...	4.0	14.6

OILS, GAS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
18½	6½	Aberdeen Pet	15½	+½	...	...	...
29½	17	Aran Energy	25½	...	...	...	...
52	40	Atton Intle	49	+2	...	...	...
61	41½	Aus Oil & Gas	61	+6	...	...	...
63	28	Aviva Pet	50	+4	...	...	...
14	9	Beverley	10	...	0.6	...	...
183	145	Br Borneo	151	+1	7.1	5.9	4.6
326	276	British Gas	304½	-3½	...	6.0	13.2
312½	225	Br Petroleum	302	-1½	10.5	4.2	47.6
1½	1	Bula Resources	1½	...	...	...	...
757	675	Burmah Castrl	719†	+4	...	4.4	17.5
51	32	Cairn Energy	50	...	...	...	7.2
268	223	Calor Gp	255	...	12.0	6.0	-
60½	32½	Clyde Pet	46½	+1½	...	...	-
35	27	Copfex Res	30½	+½	...	...	...
13½	10½	Edin Oil & Gas	13½	...	...	...	...
521	397	Enterprise	499	-1	...	4.0	30.2
88	55	Exp Co Louis	68	...	...	...	...
31½	18½	Fairhaven Intl	31½	+3	...	1.7	-
67	45	Goal Pet	53	...	1.4	3.3	-
31	18	Gt Western Res	26	...	...	...	...
152	108	Hardy O & G	140	...	1.0	0.9	43.0
32½	18½	Kelt Energy	28	...	...	...	...
195	141	LASMO	151†	+5	3.1	2.7	-
103	63	-do- Units	80	...	9.4	14.8	...
24	14½	Mid Scot Rcs	21	...	...	...	...
46½	34	Monument	44½	...	...	...	...
9½	6½	New London	6½	...	...	...	...
33	21	Nth Sea Assets	30	...	...	...	...
35	27	Oil Search	35	...	1.0	4.2	10.4
14½	12	Petroz	13½	...	...	...	...
110	49	Pict Pet	104	...	...	...	...
30½	19	Premier	27	...	...	...	14.4
80	50	Presidio	80	...	...	...	9.5
366	290	Ranger	290	...	...	7.8	...
6000	5150	Royal Dtch Pt	5950	-37½	...	6.0	...
4267½	3600	Schlumberger	4212½	...	...	5.5	13.7
61	47	Seafield	64	...	...	2.0	...
605	515	Shell	582½	-½	21.0	4.7	17.9
203	191	Sunrise Eng Sv	192	...	...	...	...
10½	4½	Teredo	4½	...	...	...	-
41	25	Triton Europe	25	...	...	...	5.7
9	6½	Villers Grp	9	...	...	...	...
172	143½	Woodside	169	-3	...	2.3	...

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1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
303	249	API	293	...	7.5	3.2	23.5
190	144	Arjo Wiggins	184	+3	...	4.4	18.2
493	408	Abbott Mead	490	...	9.3	2.4	-
1½	½	Aests Group	1½	+½	...	...	...
23	13	Aegis Gp	19½	...	1.3	8.8	...
212	155	Aspen Comms	187†	...	...	3.3	-
10½	7	BBB Design	10	...	...	...	...
329	234½	Bemrose	329†	+2	...	4.5	-
33	16	Burkdale	23	...	0.2	1.1	19.5
138	118	Bunzl	132	+5	4.0	3.8	-
297	259	CIA Gp	262	...	...	2.1	-
248	116	Capital Inds	248	-5	4.0	2.0	-
54	44	City of Lon	52	...	...	8.2	10.8
214	169	Cropper (Jmcs)	214	...	3.0	1.8	24.4
6	½	Crown Comm	6#	...	...	...	...
75	51	Delyn Pckaging	65	-1	1.4	2.8	12.0
117	94	Dolphin Pack	104†	...	4.5	5.4	-
53	42	Dudley Jenkins	50	...	...	...	12.9
14½	12½	Elswick	13½	...	0.3	...	11.4
58	41	Fairway Group	58	...	...	6.3	17.1
290	271	Ferguson Intl	293	...	12.5	5.3	10.9
105	92	Ferry Pick	105	...	7.5	8.0	-
106	74	Filofax	90	...	...	0.6	22.5
20	14	Fitch	15½	+1½	...	...	1.7
75	69	Gibbon Lyons	75	...	...	8.3	14.7
295	247	Gold Greenless	274	...	...	3.8	22.2
41	20	Goodhead	27	...	0.5	2.1	...
84	43	Hunterprint	69	...	...	...	...
163	136	Intereurope	163	...	7.4	5.7	10.2
225	191	Jarvis Porter	224	...	4.4	2.5	24.4
28	19½	Lopex	22	-1	...	...	11.1
271	175	More O'Ferrall	258	+5	13.2	6.4	-
78	48	NMC Group	75	+5	1.2	...	14.8
103	66	Osborne & Little	100	...	4.3	5.4	12.6
239	167	Quarto	226	+2	5.3	3.0	-
347	319	St Ives Gp	337	-6	5.2	2.0	22.0
198	152	Saatchi	172	...	...	...	...
472	333	Sappi	368	-18	...	10.0	-
19½	11½	Serif	15	-½	...	...	...
28½	14	Shandwick	21½	...	...	...	...
334	294	Smith David	332	+1	9.5	3.6	14.7
295	252	Smurfit (Jeff)	258	-4	...	0.6	8.0
240	183	Stat-Plus	238†	...	8.0	4.2	-
23	16½	Taylor Nelson	22½	...	0.3	1.7	...
53	38	VTR	50	...	...	8.5	14.7
67	40	WPP	66	+6	...	1.9	...
111	62	Wace	110	...	2.2	2.6	...
221	203	Waddington (J)	214	...	7.9	4.6	16.2
652	540	Watmough	652	...	11.5	2.2	25.6
6½	4½	Westport	6½	...	...	...	22.4
19	12	Whitney Mcka	19	...	...	...	...
74	55	Wood (SW)	65	...	0.2	0.5	...

PROPERTY

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
66	41	Allied Lon	61†	+1	3.5	7.2	52.6
61	58	Arcadian	60	...	...	...	...
73	54	Asda	73	+1	2.1	3.7	-
133	88	Avonside	133	+13	4.0	3.8	-
2637½	2062½	BCE	2287½	...	...	...	...
535	396	Bilton	524†	...	18.9	4.5	-
26	23	Bourne End	25	...	1.0	5.0	...
177	150	Bradford	177	...	4.4	3.1	16.1
23	12	Bredero	16	+1	...	...	1.5
277	176	Br Land	256	-4	6.3	3.1	23.6
198	153	Brixton	185	-4	8.1	5.5	14.1
57	45	Burford	52	...	1.1	2.8	-
142	99	Cap & Regnl	140	...	...	0.9	...
125	120	Cardiff Prop	125	...	2.4	2.4	...
260	196	Chesterfield	260	...	18.5	...	18.3
32	12	City Site Ests	30	...	1.4	...	...
19	12	Clarke Nickolls	16	...	0.3	...	3.9
14	10	Clayform	10½	...	...	...	...
1045	818	Daejan	1045	...	25.0	3.0	16.3
3	1½	Darts Estates	2½	...	...	...	...
98	53	Debenham Tewn	71	...	2.5	4.4	25.8
12	4	De Morgan	6	...	...	...	...
90	76	Dencora	90	...	5.5	7.6	...
423	263	Derwent Hldgs	403†	...	8.6	2.7	-
225	170	Estates Agency	200	...	3.0	1.9	18.3
27	7½	Estates Gen	12½	+2	...	...	...
143	132	Evans Of Leeds	138	...	4.1	3.8	13.2
24	11	Five Oaks	23½	...	...	...	...
53	30	Fletcher King	52	...	1.0	2.4	37.6
405	285	Frogmore	386	...	15.0	4.9	21.8
140	97	Grainger	138	...	5.2	4.8	30.9
170	120	Gt Portland	163	-2	10.0	7.7	16.2
19	7½	Greycoat	17½	+1	5.2	...	...
128	101	HK Land	111	-1	...	5.9	-
64	35	Hambro Cnyw	60	+1	...	...	...
417	277	Hammerson	331	-23	10.0	3.9	-
382	245	-do- 'A'	301	-19	...	4.3	-
170	127	Helical Bar	170	+6	...	3.5	...
26	19	Hemingway	23	...	...	...	...
132	66	Herring Baker	66	-3	7.0	13.3	...
153	133	Jermyn	138	...	1.5	1.4	...
539	435	Land Sec	530	-5	21.7	5.1	16.1
91	73	Lon Merch Sec	89	...	3.8	5.3	14.2
4½	1½	Lon & Metro	3	...	...	...	...
418	324	MEPC	381	-7	20.0	6.6	16.0
6½	5	McInerney A	6	...	...	...	...
110	90	McKay Secs	106	...	6.7	...	17.4
7½	3	Markheath	4½	...	0.5	...	...
34½	12	Merivale Mre	34½	...	1.0	3.6	...
5	5	Merlin Intl	5#	...	...	...	...
35	31	Moorfield Ex	31	-1	...	...	...
880	775	Mountview	850	...	18.0	2.7	8.7
139	112	Muckiow (A&J)	135	...	5.9	5.6	18.6
40	30	Olive Hldgs	31	...	9.0	...	4.7
10½	5½	Ostory Est	7½	...	0.1	2.4	2.3
201	138	Peel	184	...	3.0	2.0	...
16	8	Power Corp	12	...	...	...	1.3
122	88	Prop Security	109	...	3.7	4.3	21.7
39	26	Property Trust	28	...	...	...	...
22½	11	Regalian	22	+3	1.5	8.5	4.3
7½	7½	Rosehaugh	7½#	...	...	...	...
135	115	Rowlinson Secs	115	...	1.3	1.5	24.5
33	16	St Modwen Prp	32½	+½	0.6	2.3	24.8
52	39	Savills	50	+1	...	...	...
60	34	Scot Met	60	+3	1.5	...	...
72	39	Shaftesbury	72	+3	...	...	...
14½	5	Shield	12½	...	...	...	...
36	17	Sinclair Gldsm	35#	...	0.5	1.8	...
198	139½	Slough Estates	166†	+1	...	6.1	-
74	56	Southend Prop	70	...	4.1	7.5	16.3
16	7	Speyhawk	13	...	...	...	...
27	16	Stanhope Prps	26	...	...	...	...
156	114	Tops Ests	152	...	2.0	1.6	38.6
100	79	Town Centre	97	+1	3.1	4.0	18.1
65	43	Trafford Park	59	...	2.5	5.5	15.9
38	8	UK Land	20	-1	...	...	...
9½	4	Union Square	6½	...	...	...	...
217	180	Warner	214	-3	10.5	6.3	18.9
199	168	Warnford	192	...	7.2	4.7	13.3
8	5½	Waterglade	6½	...	...	...	...
49	35	Wates	44	+½	0.7	2.2	...
51	40	Wood John D	50	...	...	...	...

SHOES, LEATHER

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
17	11	Automagica	17	...	...	...	...
128	91	Headlam	126†	+1	...	2.7	-
500	330	Lambert	385	...	13.0	4.2	-
100	80	Pinard Gamar	80	...	2.0	3.1	22.9
27	20	Strong & Fisher	22†	...	1.0	5.7	8.1
150	89	Stylo	130	...	3.0	3.0	-

TEXTILES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
485	408	Allied Text	465	...	12.6	3.4	14.9
69	54	Beckman (A)	54†	...	4.7	...	10.2
27	21	Bolton Gp	25	...	...	...	12.7
165	141	Br Mohair	155	...	8.5	6.9	-
153	99	Celestion	143	-1	1.4	1.2	...
20	15	Chartwell	20	...	0.4	2.5	...
345	298	Claremont Ga	328	+3	7.2	2.8	-
601	551	Courtauld Text	564	...	13.6	3.0	15.4
53½	34½	Cupid	34	+1	...	13.1	4.0
249½	221	Dawson	234	...	9.0	4.8	22.8
30	22	Drummond	24	+1	1.5	...	7.7
37½	27	Dunkeld	27	...	...	...	...
72	65	Faupel	68	...	...	9.0	6.7
34	15	Foster (John)	20	...	0.5	3.1	...
85	82	Gaskell	83	...	4.2	7.1	...
186	156	Hicking Pntcst	169	+2	3.4	2.5	14.4
51	45	Jerome (S)	50	+1	1.0	...	...
328	249	Lamont	309	-1	12.0	5.0	-
425	353½	Leeds	421	...	...	2.2	20.3
42	15	Lister	37	...	0.1	0.3	...
122	100	Lyles (S)	100	-1	4.9	6.1	11.4
100	69	Parkland 'A'	98	...	2.0	2.6	...
99½	82	Readicut	91	...	3.4	4.7	18.1
53	35	SEET	41	...	...	...	...
94	72	Sirdar	85	...	5.1	7.6	14.9
58	44	Stirling Gp	57	...	1.6	3.6	20.9
51	43	Stoddard	43	...	2.6	7.6	11.5
510	250	Tomkinsons	301	...	11.5	4.8	20.0
62½	32½	West Trust	44	-1	...	...	...
356	252	Yorklyde	355	...	9.7	3.5	16.6

TOBACCOS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1014½	855	BAT	895	-6	...	5.2	19.3
690	584½	Rothmans 'B'	629	...	10.2	2.0	14.4

TRANSPORT

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
409	349	Assoc Br Ports	382	...	9.5	2.8	...
813	738	BAA	773	+5	14.5	2.3	13.6
311	261	Br Airways	283	-2	...	4.7	7.6
81	58	Clarkson (H)	58	...	1.5	3.3	...
23	23	Davies Newman	23#	...	...	...	...
515	332	Eurotunnel Uts	434	-6	...	...	...
51	44	Fisher (James)	49	...	1.0	2.6	13.2
138	126	Graig	130	...	4.5	4.4	...
166	147	IoM Steam	158	...	...	6.3	8.7
32	24	Jacobs (JI)	33	...	0.5	2.0	...
79	41	Lon O'Seas Frts	79	...	1.2	2.0	4.8
2250	1262½	Manchstr Sh	2075	...	4.5	0.3	11.3
340	280	Mersey Docks	331	+1	7.5	2.3	-
210	181	Natl Express	186	-1	...	4.8	...
284	238	NFC	248†	-1	6.5	3.5	10.8
302	244	Ocean Group	260†	...	14.3	6.7	-
53	40	Ocean Wilson	49	...	...	6.8	10.9
627	504	P & O Dfd	555	...	...	6.9	17.8
137	127	P & O 5 1/2%	132	...	...	5.2	...
534	448	Powell Duffryn	533	+1	22.0	5.3	21.3
138	117	Seacon	135	+3	...	4.8	8.4
41½	24	TIP Europe	41†	...	1.4	4.3	9.9
43	31	TNT	42½	...	...	...	...
765	624	Tibbet & Britm	713†	-8	11.8	2.1	-
382	325	Tiphook	331	-2	17.3	6.5	6.6
295	259	TDG	272	...	9.5	4.4	-

WATER

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
553	460	Anglian Water	521	+11	19.3	4.6	9.5
652	547	Northumbrian	629	+8	20.5	4.1	6.5
533	449	North West	509	+11	19.6	4.8	8.9
533	439	Severn Trent	508	+12	19.3	4.7	7.4
554	454	Sthrn Water	529	+12	19.5	4.6	9.3
1325	1225	Sth Staffs	1325	...	40.2	3.8	6.6
569	467	South West	541	+13	21.7	5.0	8.2
563	469	Thames Water	528	+9	19.2	4.5	10.0
612	506	Welsh Water	587	+11	21.4	4.6	8.8
649	536	Wessex Water	628	+15	...	3.9	8.5
593	506	Yorkshire W	563	+12	19.5	4.3	9.2

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MANAGEMENT

More courses are following the pioneering ventures and leading to the establishment of a genuinely national programme, **Derek Harris** says

Universities' interest grows

A broadly based facilities and environment management Master of Science (MSc) course, now in its first year at University College London (UCL), is part of a widening academic response to the need for courses catering for this emerging specialisation.

More universities are now lining up to follow in the footsteps of UCL and the pioneering University of Strathclyde, where Professor Keith Anderson has been a high-profile proselytiser for facilities management.

The University of Reading is planning to launch an MSc course in facilities management linked to its construction management department. The College of Asset Management is looking to launch a course which would lead to a diploma — probably offered on a distance-learning basis. Expectations are that these two initiatives could be running within two years.

At Salford University some postgraduate research in facilities management could readily develop into a more formal course. Two other universities — Birmingham and York — are showing interest in launching courses while North East Surrey College of Technology is also active in the sector.

Strathclyde's Centre for Facilities Management (CFM) has just launched a training initiative for those who are already professional facilities managers. There is a range of one and two-day courses, to be available at CFM centres in Windsor, Bristol and Glasgow. CFM plans to launch a Bachelor of Science (BSc) course in facilities management later this year in addition to its pioneering MSc course.

Hitherto the component parts which now recognisably make up facilities management — designing buildings, constructing, servicing, heating and cooling them, guarding them and catering for the needs of the people at work — largely have been dealt with separately for education and training. Professionals such as architects and surveyors have been concerned with some components, engineers at several professional levels with others, and so on.

It seems piecemeal now because the need is growing to deal with facilities management holistically. This is the argument of Bev Nutt, dean of UCL's built environment faculty and one of the two directors of the MSc course in facilities and environmental management. The other director is David Kincaid, formerly with the property division of IBM, the computer makers, and now senior lecturer in facilities management at UCL.

Mr Nutt said: "It is time to go for the big picture and not the constituent bits. But you can't find this sort of thing on library shelves: the real expertise lies with the significant practitioners in the practical world.



Going for big picture: David Kincaid (left) and Bev Nutt

"To tackle facilities management through just one of its parts — such as architectural design or engineering — is like expecting a doctor to qualify in medicine without ever seeing a patient or a body." Hence he expects facilities management study to be practice-led, with those taking courses often likely to have working experience. There are about a dozen people on the current course — it takes two years on a part-time basis — and plans are to double this number.

The age range runs from 30 to 60 years, a few being research students but also including two highly experienced facilities management practitioners and a consultant. Mr Nutt said: "We learn from them as well as they from us."

This need for a broad approach also prevails at the Association of Facilities Managers, one of the sector's two professional bodies. The association's education and training committee is helping to establish criteria for courses and Jane Bell, a committee member, believes there will be three main routes to better qualifications. One will be educational, leading to diplomas or an MSc. A second route will be through training for those already working in the sector. Additionally, high flyers will study and use advanced practice.

The UCL sees the increasing moves to set up courses as likely to reach the point, in the next two to three years, where the UK will have a genuinely national programme for facilities management education. It estimates that at least four postgraduate courses should be operating by then with as many as six a real possibility — mostly at Master's level at that.

Mr Nutt believes the different root disciplines at the academic institutions mean most courses will have varying strengths and weaknesses, so interchange among them would be a fruitful approach. This is already starting to happen, he says.

The programmes could form the basis for recognised professional standards within the UK with eventual accreditation on a pan-European basis on the pattern of some other professions. Professional engineers, for example, can qualify for EurIng status that is acceptable throughout Europe.

Research will be increasingly important, Mr Nutt believes. UCL is among those helping to evolve new guidelines for healthy office environments, backed by government funding. But many issues need to be faced, from locational obsolescence among existing buildings as corporate needs change, to perennials such as when the city-based corporate office will disappear as computer and telecommunications developments bring the ultimate flexibility for siting workstations.

Workforce conditions a tricky issue



STEPHEN MARKESON

Throwaway line: pensions are one area affecting transfer from the public sector

Derek Harris on the confusion resulting from an EC directive

The Cleaning and Support Services Association (CSSA), the trade body for companies in these sectors of facilities management, is preparing a discussion paper which it hopes will sort out mounting confusion over the EC's Transfer of Undertakings (Tupe) directive.

It will put forward to government several options aimed at making it realistic for private-sector businesses to compete readily against in-house bids to carry out non-core work in the public sector, *Derek Harris writes.*

Outsourcing contracts have been coming especially from the National Health Service (NHS), local government and, most recently, Whitehall departments. Government departments are starting to market-test various public services to see how far private-sector companies could offer a better service.

The Tupe regulations increasingly have raised difficulties for private-sector companies keen to compete for public-sector business. This is because when a bloc of public-sector activity is privatised the regulations lay down that the existing workforce must be taken on and its terms and conditions of work honoured.

The latest development is a ruling by the attorney-general that this extends to offering broadly comparable pension rights. That removes an important avenue for running an operation more cheaply because a private company would expect to pay out less for pensions. This is because index-linked pensions are widespread in the public sector. It has left many private-sector companies concerned that their competitive edge in bidding for public-sector operations has been badly eroded.

What still has to be clarified is where the Tupe regulations apply. There is speculation that what might develop is a tendency to draw up contracts which fall short of a wholesale transfer of an entire operational undertaking, so staying outside the regulations.

One private-sector operator has been looking hard at the index-linked pension problem. Simon Cox, managing director of Denmark-based ISS Mediclean, which has a multiplicity of NHS contracts, said: "There is index-linking and index-linking — because the basis of some schemes is not that good.

"Successful contracting is not just about terms and conditions of a workforce. It is about issues like improved working practices, better management and investing in more efficient equipment — all of which a company like ours can bring to a contract."

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This goes beyond just design and looks to matters like fitness for purpose, cost effectiveness, efficiency, and whether everybody working there is happy with it, says Tony Thomson, a director of DEGW who organises the judging panel for the award. DEGW is an architectural practice specialising in designing working environments.

Mr Thomson said: "Organisations in the past few years have begun to realise that buildings should be given more attention because of the need for efficiency. The award could help focus the attention of companies using buildings on the many aspects involved."

There are three main categories for the award: for purpose-built buildings, for existing ones, and for small offices.

In addition, there is a special innovation award, and others for excellence in facilities management. One aspect under scrutiny this time will be what impact recent changes in office legislation are having and how businesses are coping with them.

The competition is open to organisations in all offices occupied before the end of last year. Closing date is May 31 and the awards are due to be presented in November.

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Security industry sets up a seal of approval

Britain's guards hope a system of certification will help improve their tarnished image, David Rudnick reports

ADRIAN BROOKS



Quality control: new industry standards should ensure that security guards are up to their job

Nowhere apart from medicine and flying are reliable professional standards more essential than in the security industry. Demand for security guards' services is growing, but so too is customer unease that security firms are not always quite up to the job.

Most British companies now demand proof that the firms guarding their property have reached an officially recognised standard of competence. To meet these concerns, the government last October set up an independent body, the Inspectorate of the Security Industry (ISI), to enforce new standards linked to strict EC codes of practice.

Group 4 Total Security (a separate operation from the transport and remand of prisoners) runs the largest manned guarding operation in Britain. In the words of its chairman, Jim Harrower: "While a recognised standard of quality is important for industry as a whole, for our sector dealing with security it is crucial." Group 4 is unique in having been awarded quality certification by Lloyd's Register rather than the industry-specific ISI.

Quality assessment is still at an early stage in the industry. Lloyd's started only about eight months ago and Group 4 is its only client so far. Yet Lloyd's has beaten the ISI to the draw in getting accreditation as an inspector of the security industry from the National Accreditation Council and Certification Board (NACCB). The ISI, setting up in business from scratch, is taking longer to get its act together, but Robert Haymon-Collins, the marketing manager, says an application is already under way.

The NACCB is an independent body that advises the Department of Trade and Industry whether those who judge the competence of security firms are themselves competent to receive official accreditation. "We vet the vetters," says a spokesman. "Ultimately the customers' crucial requirement is that those who look after their security are themselves secure."

Lloyd's differs from the ISI in inspecting not just a sample of a security firm's branches, but all the branch offices from where security personnel are sent out. Mike James, the marketing development manager at Lloyd's, says: "In an industry as people-dependent as this, it is hard to envisage a situation where every branch is a mirror image of another." But inspection does not include assessment of performance on actual sites. This would be impractical given the scale of the big companies' operations.

Since the ISI, unlike Lloyd's Register, is concerned only with the security industry, it is expected to emerge as the dominant inspectorate in Britain once it has acquired the blessing of the NACCB. But Lloyd's is confident it will hold its own internationally, attracting companies with premises being guarded abroad. "We have offices all over the world to answer their needs," says Mr James.

The belated establishment of the ISI has raised hopes of improving the industry's image by setting a seal of approval only on firms deserving it. But the ISI cannot compel security companies to submit to inspection: only the government could impose that and it shows no sign of doing so.

So far, the ISI has granted its certification to only two companies, Reliance Security Services and Centuryan Security. Ian Fraser,



Lloyd's approved: Jim Harrower

Reliance's managing director, regards the new quality standards as a milestone for the industry. He says: "Customers can be certain that the systems in use are appropriate, effective and, above all, applied consistently." He estimates from client research that almost 80 per cent of those questioned attach "significant importance" to the new standards.

Stephen Phillips, Centuryan's managing director, agrees: "Our certification adds to our credibility with customers. While few actually stipulate it as a condition of our employment, clients, at presentations tend to ask whether we have been granted it." Centuryan's certification covers only the south of England, but Mr Phillips hopes to see it extended nationwide by the end of the year.

Both firms would like more controls on standards. Mr Phillips wants some regulation on entry to the industry. "Self-regulation has done a lot for it, but clients would feel more secure with more vetting of new entrants." Jim Harrower, at Group 4, adds: "You could start guarding property tomorrow and employ criminals." Indeed, a recent police survey of security companies revealed that more than 300 staff, some of them managers, had a criminal record.

Mr Fraser is disturbed by the low wages paid in the industry. "Wages are the biggest cost of production, but current rates are nowhere near enough to ensure an acceptable standard of service," he says.

Mr Harrower wants a speedy end to self-regulation. "It is a second best, but the government favours it," he says. Like many other practitioners, he is convinced the industry will win proper respect and recognition only when a meaningful number of its 400 or so companies have won certification from a recognised inspecting body.

Businesses do not always appreciate the value of their buildings

Taking care of the bricks and mortar

Buildings, like pets, are for a lifetime. They should not be taken on without working out how much they will cost to keep.

Members of the Institute of Maintenance and Building Management are trying to persuade businesses to take a more realistic and responsible attitude towards one of their most important assets: bricks and mortar.

Rosemary Wood, the institute's assistant director in charge of development, says: "A building should be regarded as an asset. To maintain it can cost more than to build it, but it contributes to the profit line just as machinery and the labour force do.

"Careful consideration should be given to who is going to use it. People have got to perform at their best and that performance will contribute to the bottom line."

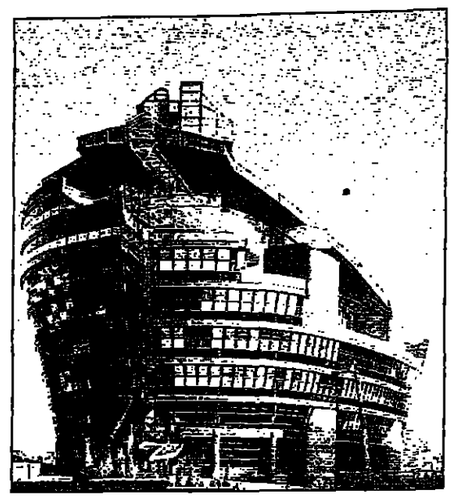
The institute, founded in 1951 to foster and maintain standards of building maintenance in the public sector, has broadened to include the growing private sector, introducing a code of professional ethics and establishing diploma courses and seminars. It now has 2,500 members.

Bernard Williams, whose firm of chartered surveyors, Bernard Williams Associates, has a property consultancy arm, says: "We are advising our clients that when the designers of a new building produce their plans and estimates, they should demand to see the life-cycle cost as well as the capital cost.

"Architects and surveyors should be able to explain what will be needed to run and maintain the building and be able to demonstrate that they have produced a reasonable estimate of maintenance costs. The experts will have to think these things through. All too often buildings are designed without proper thought being given to maintenance."

Mr Williams says there have been changes in attitudes towards the design of new buildings, for instance to accommodate information technology or for environmental considerations, such as the provision of heating and fresh air. However, he adds: "Although we are seeing such things as raised floors and access to ceiling spaces, progress has been too slow. Not a tremendous amount of thought has gone into improvements in building design."

Yet the importance of properly designed buildings is reflected in the greater ease with which tenants can be found for quality accommodation. Nowhere is that seen more



Asset: the Ark in Hammersmith, west London

vividly than in the over-supplied central London office market.

Despite a fall in City office completions from 7.8 million sq ft in 1991 to 3.4 million last year, there was still 18 million sq ft available at the start of this year, according to the latest quarterly survey by Knight Frank & Rutley. "A proportion of this accommodation is unlikely to be let in its present condition owing to its substandard quality," it says. "A reserve may persist in the market, having little chance of being met, but which may be redeveloped once economic circumstances are more favourable."

Even taking such a basic facility as airconditioning, statistics show that twice as much airconditioned space is being let as non-airconditioned.

Philip Gray, at DTZ Debenham Thorpe, says: "What is clear is that the two-tier market in central London between new and old space will be more extreme towards the end of the year."

Yet it is not just in the narrow London office market that the minds of company directors have been concentrating on property values. The recession has caused many firms to cut the value of their properties as stated in their balance sheets, even when the write-down turns an operating profit into a pre-tax loss.

These write-downs may, however, be creating a false impression. Property maintenance experts argue that the amount of money a building would fetch on the open market is not necessarily the correct method of valuation.

"The value of a building is something that is not properly understood," Mr Williams says. "People still think in terms of the property market value that is the basis for the valuation on the balance sheet. The real value of a building is what it puts into the business. Buildings, like machinery, are there to help the business do its job. How effectively it does that is its worth."

Maintenance experts argue that a flour mill, for example, would have little value on the open market unless it was sold to another flour maker, yet it could be a modern building enabling the owner to make profits.

Assessing buildings on that basis would be more difficult, but the argument goes that if other intangible items such as goodwill can be quantified for the balance sheet, so can the true worth of a building.

Mr Williams detects signs that many businesses are taking more care in the running of their buildings. A growing number are considering contracting out services such as building maintenance that used to be carried out in-house. "We tell our clients this is not a panacea and that it may be better to develop in-house expertise with the help of a consultant," he says. "But some feel they are minimising the risks and costs by contracting out."

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In control: Les Aston runs Britain's largest provider of technical services, at work in defence establishments, rail stations and retail stores

A mission to expand

Derek Harris looks at a company that pioneered UK management contracts and is still finding new markets

Running RAF Fylingdales, the ballistic-missile warning radar station on the Yorkshire moors, was one of the first multi-service facilities management contracts in the UK. The organisation that took on what was then probably the highest technology operation in the country was Serco, one of the longest-established facilities management companies. This was in 1964 when Serco was still part of America's RCA, the former Radio Corporation of America.

The Fylingdales contract goes out to competitive tender every five years but Serco has won it consistently. It operates and maintains the entire site including three large radars until now housed in the striking giant "golf ball" housings which have long been a landmark. These are now due to disappear, to be replaced by a more powerful system housed in triangulated structures.

For Serco the £4 million a year contract has meant running computers and peripheral equipment on a 24-hour basis throughout the year. The engineering support has included taking care of electronic, surveillance and heavy engineering equipment. RAF personnel evaluate what is on the screens and security is the responsibility of the Ministry of Defence.

The Fylingdales contract proved a pathfinder operation because Serco subsequently picked up more Ministry of Defence contracts then worked more widely in the public sector. It became involved with the European Space Agency in Germany, France, Italy and a key centre in Holland.

Serco largely provides all services itself using its own personnel. It has about 8,000 employees, three quarters of them in the UK and mainland Europe and the rest in Australia, New Zealand and some other parts of the Pacific rim.

About half the staff in Europe are in the engineering disciplines, from technicians to chartered engineers. Les Aston, managing director of the facilities management division, said: "We are the largest providers of technical services of any facilities-management company in Britain."

Serco took the road to independence in 1987 through a management buyout after RCA had been bought by General Electric of America. Serco was floated on the London stock market in 1988 and has seen consistent growth since. In the year to end-December pre-tax profits rose 37 per cent to £7.2 million on turnover which increased 43 per cent to £149.6 million.

The biggest single lift came from the acquisition of International Aeradio Limited (IAL) for more than £12 million in April last year. This took Serco into yet another high-tech area: providing air-traffic-control operations including trained controllers on contracts in Britain and abroad. Serco has trained air-traffic controllers bound for Russia, eastern Germany and Sweden, and run control systems in Middle East countries including Dubai, Bahrein Bahrain and Sharjah.

A year after its flotation, Serco set up an industrial-services division to land more private-sector contracts. This has also proved a winner. For example, Serco now looks after 110 Marks & Spencer stores — a third of its outlets — including its flagship shop at Marble Arch. British Rail's Network SouthEast region awarded Serco the contract to clean the refurbished Liverpool Street station: Victoria station has since been added to the company's list. A Whitehall market-testing venture secured by Serco is a four-year contract with the environment department to maintain Hyde Park — from cutting the grass and cleaning paths to landscaping. Despite the considerable diversification, 37 per cent of Serco's business is still defence-related.

Mr Aston sees the trend for contracting out services continuing. He looks to steady development in mainland European markets, building on a base there which includes contracts with the British Army on the Rhine and one for building maintenance with Wang, the American company which supplies office-computer systems.

Tim Hancock, marketing manager, believes the 20 per cent annual compound growth which Serco has been seeing is fast enough for a company which looks to long-term stable commercial relationships. He said: "We are not the cheapest and do not ever intend to be. We are offering quality."

The key question of representation

Two organisations are vying for members in the fast-growing but fragamented facilities profession

The young, fast growing and diversifying profession of facilities management faces a key question as it struggles to gain recognition among senior managers and other professions. Does it need a single, widely accepted professional body?

Perhaps reflecting the fragmentation of the profession itself, two bodies vie for members: the Association of Facilities Managers and the Institute of Facilities Management.

The emergence of two separate bodies is virtually an accident of history. The association was formed in 1985 and formally established in 1986. It began because about ten people in the profession sat round a table and decided that Britain needed a professional body just as one had been established in the United States in 1982. Based in Saffron Walden, Essex, it claims 1,700 members and is growing fast.

The institute was born out of the Institute of Administrative Managers in 1990 and still shares the IAM's headquarters in Petts Wood, Kent. However, the accounts were separated in 1991 as part of a gradual move towards the IFM taking full responsibility for its own activities, although it maintains a close working relationship with the IAM. Membership now totals nearly 500.

The two bodies have the same types of members, the same aims, the same concern for training and raising professional standards. They are on good terms and talk to each other about issues that affect their members.

Both recognise the difficulty of raising the status of facilities managers. John Crawshaw, director at the Association of Facilities Managers, says: "A major problem is that certain management tools are being hijacked by other people who use the term facilities management as a convenient way to describe what they do. For example, contracting out services is a management tool, but it is not facilities management. Members of our profession provide an integrated service. Business administration, building work, engineering services and the behavioural sciences are all to do with facilities management."



John Crawshaw: hijack



Peter Lebus: a warning

Peter Lebus, chairman of the Institute of Facilities Management, warns: "There are unskilled people who claim they can provide the same services at a much cheaper rate. That is why we are keen that the initials after a member's name do mean something."

The institute has three grades of membership. Members and associates gain their status through vocational experience or examination and are entitled to put the letters MInstFM or AInstFM after their names. So far most have qualified through work experience, but there is a move towards qualifying through education.

Those who have made an exceptional contribution to the profession can become fellows of the institute and take the letters FInstFM.

The association does not have a formal qualification, although it stresses that its members are highly professional in the way they conduct their business. It hopes to establish a professional qualification to generate awareness of facilities management at senior management level. Mr Crawshaw says that stage is being reached, but it has been "a long and laborious process".

Meanwhile, it has concentrated its educational efforts on encouraging university courses — Strathclyde and University College, London, both award MScs in facilities management — as well as through colleges and correspondence courses.

The two organisations are diplomatic over whether the time will soon be ripe for a joining of the ways. Mr Lebus says: "The aims are broadly the same, but the ways of approaching them are different. It might be appropriate when the whole profession has developed further to consider the potential for one body."

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The truth north of Watford

Walter Ellis argues that London-based journalists do their best to report fairly the realities of life in Britain's other cities

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After the event: grief at the death of Jamie Bulger, left, and anger in the community when two boys were arrested by police

Fleet Street, dispersed to the four winds within the capital itself, has rarely been so London-centred. Efforts continue to be made to report fairly on what happens beyond Watford, but resources and time constraints inevitably mean that balance is not always what it should be.

Even so, and leaving aside the occasional excesses of the tabloids, few news editors welcome prejudice dressed up as facts. Faced with obviously slanted copy, they will call for a "re-write", or worse, quicker than you can say "spike".

The problem is, not everyone believes this. In Liverpool, there is a pervasive belief that the national press has got it in for their fair city. Fleet Street, Liverpudlians insist, will spare no efforts to make them look like histrionic and sporadically murderous ne'er-do-wells who, in true mafia style, perform barbarous acts of cruelty on each other and then weep loudly and publicly at the resulting funerals.

Last week, I was subpoenaed, as it were, to appear on BBC2's regional affairs flagship, *Close Up North*, and defend my coverage in *The Times* of the Jamie Bulger tragedy, in which a two-year-old boy was snatched from a shopping centre and murdered, allegedly by two older children.

Two other journalists were on trial before a tribunal of the people: Mike Williams, a senior executive of *The Sunday Times*, which commissioned a feature headlined "Self-pity City", and Martha Teichner, London bureau chief of CBS News, whose television report of the Bulger case went out coast-to-coast in America. They were on the panel, alongside Derek Hatton, the controversial former deputy leader of Liverpool city council, while in the audience, in which I had been planted, were invited representatives of regional opinion.

Beneath the headline "The city with a murder on its conscience", I had written: "Liverpool lives on emotion: fears and hatreds bubble constantly below the surface. The mob, as self-pitying as it is self-righteous, is a constant presence, whether it is on tour in the Heysel Stadium, Brussels, or at home among the social dereliction of Liverpool 8, or, as this week, in the back streets of Bootle."

Untold numbers of Liverpudlians were outraged by such sentiments — though less so than by the subsequent, uncompromising analysis of *The Sunday Times*. What right, they wanted to know, did Fleet Street journalists have to get off a train from London and damn an entire community? We should have been more aware of Liverpool's long and sad history, first as a centre for the slave trade, then as a re-settlement point for Irish immigrants, latterly as a city broken by successive governments and "robbed" of its wealth.

Jack Stopforth, a prominent public relations consultant and former economics adviser to the old county council, admitted that "we do have far more than our own share of people who behave anti-socially, who misbehave and so on ... that's a fact of life, we live with that". But this did not make Liverpool any different from anywhere else. Nor was Liverpool unduly "mawkish" or sentimental, another audience member remarked. Rather, it was a community which dealt with grief in its own way and proclaimed its own values. Journalists, it was stressed, should either write from profound knowledge or leave their comments to an appreciation of the daffodils in Sefton Park.

> Liverpool was not unduly sentimental but it dealt with grief in its own way

What was clear was that the *Close Up North* audience — and doubtless many others beyond — felt that their town was being singled out for attack. And it was, said Jack Stopforth, a classic case of Catch-22. "We either sit back and take this nonsense or we complain and risk being condemned as whingeing Scousers. What on earth are we supposed to do?"

One obvious difficulty is the dearth of regional editorial offices outside Glasgow, Birmingham and Manchester. This means that visiting firemen arrive after the event, work intensively over a period of several hours or days and then catch a train back to the metropolis. They are not there, week-in, week-out, providing coverage of the whole range of events in a city's life but reacting to what has already taken place, and that usually turns out to be bad news. The converse truth is that spot coverage has a special responsibility to be fair.

Liverpool, which has just appointed its first public relations officer for a decade, argues that London reserves unusual, centralist venom for Merseyside (and, in my own case, that I talk "unmitigated tripe"). The press replies that Liverpool has a unique record of unpleasant happenings, often followed by public displays of grief which we find intriguing.

Working the dilemma through will not be easy. But of one thing we can be sure. If journalists do ever stick the boot into Liverpool in the belief that they are telling the truth, they can expect a good kicking in return from Scousers who believe they are lying. *Close Up North* itself discovered this truth when it was given the Yosser Hughes treatment by viewers who complained that it was unsympathetic and selective. Catch-23, perhaps.

Two routes to more readers

PAPER ROUND

by Brian MacArthur

AS EDITORS brood on how to sell more newspapers *against* a continuing trend of slow decline, the *Daily Mail* and *The Sunday Times* are proving 1993's cheerleaders.

After three months, both have recorded year-on-year sales increases of more than 6 per cent, with sales of the *Daily Mail* up by 105,000 on March 1992 in a popular market where overall sales are down by 273,000. Sales of *The Sunday Times* are up by 81,000 and it claims 46 per cent of the Sunday quality market against 21 per cent for *The Sunday Telegraph*.

It is the serious Sundays and the middle-brow dailies and Sundays that are beating the trend. Among the heavy Sundays, only the *Observer*, with sales down by 41,000 (7.6 per cent) and beset by persistent rumours that it is up for sale with *The Guardian* and *The Independent* as the two main bidders, failed to show an increase in sales.

That success still eludes the serious dailies, among which only the *Financial Times*, now selling more than 300,000 copies a day for the first time in its history, is showing an increase on last year.

Month by month, despite the success of its bumper Saturday edition and its Monday sport supplement, *The Daily Telegraph* slips closer to dropping below an average million sales a day.

So what drives newspapers forward? A study of the *Daily Mail* and *The Sunday Times* would suggest that some of the answers are energy, flair, value-for-money, innovation, a tabloid format, "good reads" with an emphasis on human interest and demonically exacting editors. Yet *The Sun* has most of those qualities in spades but still cannot break out of the cycle of decline. Sales have fallen by 600,000 over the past five years. Year-on-year, the *Daily Mirror* is sinking faster but sales of both papers seem to have stabilised this year, with the *Mirror* doing marginally better.

The most likely answer is that the mass-market tabloids have suffered most from the recession, and readers have opted for the sheer value-for-money and solid reading offered by the middlebrow tabloids and heavy Sundays.

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Financial Times	302,615	14,173	4.91
The Times	367,614	-23,465	-6.00
Sunday Times	1,264,142	81,866	6.92
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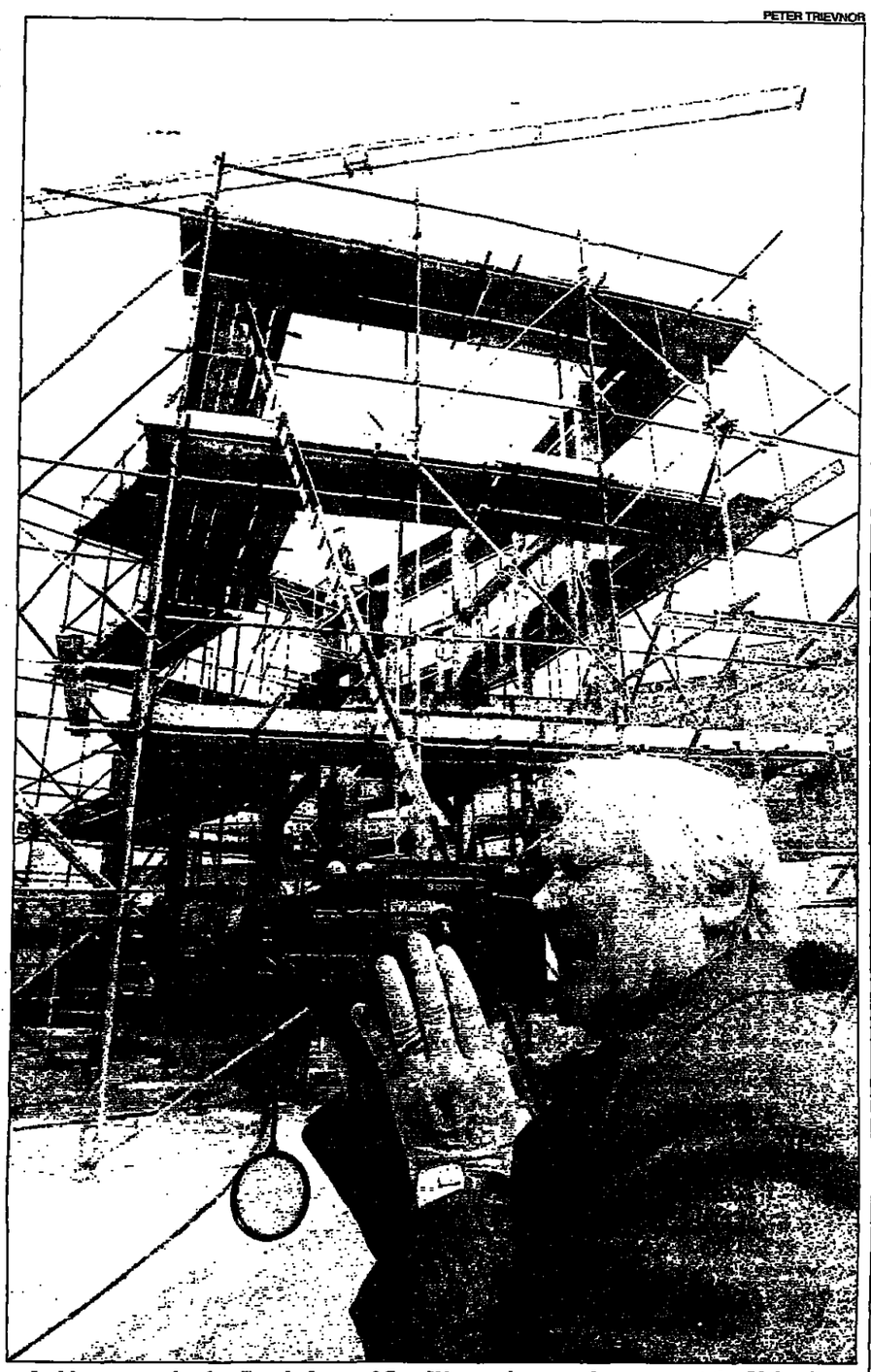
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Benedict Nightingale on how Shakespeare's own Globe Theatre is being reinvented

All his world's a replica stage

PETER TRIEVNOR



Is this a camcorder that I see before me? Sam Wanamaker records progress at the Globe site

Is that anxiety, hope or fanatic determination on Shakespeare's face as he pleads with passers-by from the posters, "Help build the Globe, pleafe"? Any of those expressions would be justified. On the site behind him, work on creating a replica of his most famous theatre is way past the point of no return; yet funds are still short and opening-time only a year away. Will the Globe really be ready to stage plays by next spring? And, if so, will it add enough to the nation's cultural life to justify its hard-won existence?

Those were the questions on everybody's minds when the Globe's only begetter, Sam Wanamaker, faced the press yesterday. Partly, he was introducing a mini-festival on and around the new theatre's site. There will be talks, recitals and, by way of demonstrating the international interest the project has provoked, performances of *The Merry Wives of Windsor* by the well-regarded Bremer Shakespeare Company from Germany: an all-male company, in modern dress.

But, perhaps just as importantly, Wanamaker was out to banish the dangerous belief that the Globe is like the Loch Ness monster or the Holy Grail, that it is famous for almost but never quite materialising.

It is 44 years since Wanamaker, then a bright-eyed young American actor, was amazed to discover that the world's most famous playhouse had been reduced to a blackened plaque in a tacky corner of run-down Southwark. It is 22 since he founded his Globe Trust and started raising money for a theatre both physically and geographically as close to the original as possible. In his time he has fought cognoscenti who dismissed the project as a Shakespearean Disneyland and Southwark Council, who saw it as an élitist conspiracy; and he has emerged battle-scarred, white-haired, but victorious.

The council that tried to close down the project is renaming the street beside it New Globe Walk. The trust has a patron in the Duke of Edinburgh, a president in Sir John Gielgud, and, though the Royal Shakespeare Company and the National Theatre remain somewhat snootily aloof, a 50-person "directorate" consisting of eminent theatre people including Sir Antony Hopkins, Diana Rigg, Dame Judi Dench, Nicholas Hytner and Derek Jacobi. Moreover, some £7 million has so far been spent on the Globe itself, much of it on perimeter walls and foundations which, since the Thames is lapping only yards away, must be as sturdy as Fort Knox.

Yet above the contemporary concrete, Elizabethan-looking bricks and timber have begun at last to sprout. Nobody could doubt Wanamaker's determination to make his Globe as authentic as any copy could be. That means using only materials available in the late 16th century, down to the mortar and the thatching. It means refusing to protect modern groundlings from the rain by adding a roof.

Finally, it has meant endless arguments within an academic committee entrusted with incorporating every detail it could sleuth out, including those emerging from the discovery of the Rose in 1988. Exploration of the original Globe's foundations, found some 300 yards away from the replica site a year later, has proved more difficult, since they lie beneath a listed Georgian building.

> 'Their policy document bans all modern aids, from spotlights to canned music'

By Shakespeare's 430th birthday, on April 23, 1994, we should have a three-tiered theatre 100 feet in diameter, capable of seating 1,000 and allowing another 500 to stand or promenade. It will consist of 20 sides or "bays", a "tiring house" or dressing room, and a platform stage that, says the indefatigable Wanamaker, can be moved if excavation of the real Globe site, currently prohibited by Whitehall decree, eventually reveals that its placing is wrong. Right now the stage thrusts out from the south-west, but it is possible that, as with the Rose, the north-west is correct.

This matters, because in the original Globe performances occurred when the sun was the main means of lighting. The new one, too, will mostly function during the day. The policy document, hammered out by the theatre's artistic directorate, bans all modern aids, from spotlights to canned music to sets more elaborate than those used in Shakespeare's time.

"We want to throw the focus where Shakespeare had it, which is on the actors, the poetry, and the imagery as he expresses it in the Chorus that opens *Henry V*," says Wanamaker. "He says, we need you the participant, your involvement, your imagination."

But would not Shakespeare himself have welcomed modern technology? And might not Wanamaker's plans result in museum theatre, perhaps even a ghastly period pastiche? His answer is that the trust is not straining to replicate Elizabethan performance, "but imposing the conditions of Shakespeare's theatre on contemporary production".

In that wooden O, he hopes we will learn much, not only about the ways the Bard was staged and can be staged still, but more generally about styles of acting and the relationship of audience to performer. "I believe the effect of seeing work in this space will influence modern production and modern playwriting," explains Wanamaker.

The honesty of his intentions and the integrity of his project are evident; but questions remain to be answered. These days we have theatres of all shapes, sizes and degrees of simplicity, from the Cottesloe to the Open Air in Regent's Park to the Olivier to the somewhat Globe-like Swan in Stratford. Will Wanamaker's playhouse really make so very distinctive a contribution? Again, we have the RSC and plenty of other groups and troupes already presenting Shakespeare.

Is it financially or artistically possible to mount regular summer seasons — with, Wanamaker hopes, the occasional winter production — of true excellence in what is still a cut-off part of London? There may now be a walkway beside the Thames; but the most dominant neighbouring buildings are a bank sorting office and a vast, disused power station which will surely take years to redevelop.

Time will tell. Wanamaker takes the long view, and looks forward to a radically regenerated Bankside, with flats, restaurants, a stop on the Jubilee Line and, on the Globe site itself, a second theatre, a Shakespeare museum and (already in hand) a substantial audio-visual library. Eventually he wants a footbridge across the river, linking St Paul's Steps with his theatre. He even talks of one day constructing a small opera house to which Glyndenbourne could transfer productions. He is nothing if not a dreamer of magnificent dreams.

Yet his dream has already progressed a long way, and in many ways he strikes one as being a realistic romantic. Surely every serious actor, British and non-British, will want to tread that stage. Surely dozens of foreign companies will yearn to visit it.

Much depends on the "directorate" to which Wanamaker promises to hand over all artistic power. They have appointed some impressive names to organise next year's season: Judi Dench, Declan Donnellan, David Jones, Bill Bryden. But if they, their successors, or the directorate itself turn out to be decorative merely, the project will indeed dwindle into a blend of museum and theme park.

Moreover, just as much depends on the active involvement of the theatre's eminent trustees and financial advisers. Probably they will succeed in raising the £2 million still wanted if the project is not to run into cash-flow problems and delays. But another £9 million is needed for the development as a whole, and, with the Arts Council and other public funding bodies still wary, sponsorship for individual productions will presumably have to be found.

Yes, there *is* worry as well as determination on Shakespeare's face; and there is reason for it.

● *Performances of* The Merry Wives of Windsor *at Shakespeare's Globe Building Site (Bankside, London SE1) are on Friday at 2.30pm, Saturday and Sunday at 3pm. Tickets: 071-261 0054*

TELEVISION

Pacifiers viewed as appeasers

Return to Year Zero
ITV

On a landing strip somewhere in Cambodia, a great heap of little red signs is partially revealed from under its tarpaulin. "DANGER!! MINES!!" they say, below a graphic skull and crossbones and a bit of tiny indigenous writing. There are thousands of them. According to John Pilger's "Viewpoint 93" last night, *Return to Year Zero* (ITV), the United Nations has pledged to clear the millions of mines laid during the civil war, but has made a less than impressive start. "How much clearing have you done?" Pilger asks a handsome Dutch UN professional sapper. "None," he shrugs, as if the whole thing is a mystery. "We have destroyed the mines in the store houses, but not the ones in the fields."

Like most things in Pilger's film, the job-lot of signs was heavy with significance. His point, I reckon, was that the Khmer Rouge, under Pol Pot, is itself buried just below the surface of the UN-occupied Cambodia, and that nobody is bothering to defuse it. Couched in his usual emotive language ("The British are back in Cambodia, *ensconced* with the Khmer Rouge"), Pilger followed several lines of enquiry, but all fundamentally serving the same thesis: that the United Nations presence in Cambodia, a "façade" of peacekeeping, has provided "a Trojan Horse for the return of Asia's Hitler".

With elections coming up in May, BBC 2's *Assignment* was due to cover the Cambodia story next week, but brought its programme forward (with the result that in the last-minute rush it was not available for reviewers to see). William Shawcross's *The Killing Fields Election* was an equally passionate title, but the aims of the programme (as they were disclosed in a press release) were different from Pilger's: to examine the pragmatic reasons for the inclusion of the Khmer Rouge in the peace process. To Pilger, that pragmatism is obscene: the clear issue is one of Western complicity with a practitioner of genocide: "How has the unthinkable for Cambodia been made acceptable to the rest of the world?"

The emotional centrepiece of Pilger's programme was a UN parade in Phnom Penh, in which a marching band played a strangely inappropriate "Onward Christian Soldiers" for the guest of honour, Khieu Samphan, who was president of the Khmer Rouge state 1976-79. Nobody objects to his presence; far from it. Instead, they object to the term "Khmer Rouge", which nowadays is considered impolite. When Pilger interviews the UN force commander, the man smiles indulgently at "Khmer Rouge" as though Pilger is a naïve chap who doesn't quite understand the politics.

But when he tries also disallowing the word "genocide", Pilger is more than ready for him. The UN itself described Pol Pot's regime as committing genocide, "in the most restrictive meaning of the term", quotes Pilger. The commander flashes him a warning look. "They may well have done," he says, "But I'm not going to."

Strange that the figures don't speak for themselves. Two million dead already, seven million targeted by mines — which altogether leaves, oh, it leaves nobody. Pilger maintains Western collusion with Pol Pot at every stage, from SAS training of the Khmer Rouge in bomb techniques, to the building of a paltry "infrastructure" which means a road for the Khmer Rouge to get in and out of Thailand.

The reason for the chumminess? Pilger does not explain, but it seems to boil down to that old appeasers' motto, "My enemy's enemy is my friend". And what, Pilger seems to ask, is a million deaths between enemies' enemies?

LYNNE TRUSS

THEATRE: A provocative Canadian play offers an unconventional view of Toronto

Off the tourist itinerary in Ontario

Lion in the Streets
Hampstead

MARILYN KINGWILL



Cerebral palsy victim Julie Legrand (left) shares her fantasies with journalist Beth Goddard

Does anybody still think of Canada as a big, quiet backwater notable for Mounties, lumberjacks, mountains and maple leaves? If so, he or she has not been keeping abreast of the nation's theatrical exports. Last month brought to Hampstead Brad Fraser's *Unidentified Human Remains and the True Nature of Love*, which redefined Edmonton as a chilling Gomorrah notable for its sex and serial-killings. Now the same theatre is staging a play which waxes equally enthusiastic about Toronto. Look too long or too hard at Judith Thompson's *Lion in the Streets*, and you could be transformed into a pile of ossified briny or a congealed saline drip.

We know Thompson from her *Crackwalker*, which the Gate presented last year. That involved a drunk who battered his wife and a retarded couple who ended up carrying about the remnants of their baby in a plastic bag, and it was, as I recall, set in another of Canada's hotspots, namely Kingston, Ontario. *Lion in the Streets* is rather shorter on alcohol but even longer on child abuse. At its centre is a raging immigrant girl who turns out, in a revelation characteristic of the play's stylistic derring-do, to have been murdered by a stranger at some unspecified time, probably before the action begins.

Actually, the action is multiple, coming as it does in a quirky series of glancingly linked episodes, with Julie Legrand, Kerry Shale and the rest of Matthew Lloyd's fine cast ranging the spectrum of character and class. A wife strips at the dinner-table in an attempt to lure back her husband, who has fallen for one of those telephone voices that cater for heavy breathers. Then it's over to an upscale primary school where diet-obsessed parents are harassing a teacher accused of corrupting her charges with jam doughnuts; and from there it's on to a bar where the same woman is sharing cocktails with a friend who informs her she is dying of bone cancer. Could she, the teacher, help her organise a suicide like that of Ophelia, complete with brook, flowers, and long white dress?

By now we are getting to know the streets of the play's title, and they are made of crazy paving. A man forces his fiancée to agree that she provoked and enjoyed the rape she suffered some years before. A woman journalist listens to the sexual fantasies of a cerebral palsy victim and ends up hurling her from her wheelchair and beating her up. Meanwhile Shirley Henderson's grimy Isobel, the murdered child, prowls the stage shrilly warning an unheeding city of the animal in its midst: "I smell the breath, the breath of the lion."

Somewhere here is Thompson's answer to the obvious objection: that her play is too scattered and confusing, its invention too arbitrary. What should we expect of a jungle — sense, clarity, and a nice narrative path from beginning to end? Thompson's Toronto is not at all like that. It is a place of menace, danger, and vivid colours. Sometimes it is alluring, sometimes alarming, but always it is odd and unpredictable; and so, too, is a production that, the programme informs us, owes much to the help of the Canadian High Commission and the Government of Ontario.

At that, criticism can only boggle in admiration. Can one imagine the Foreign Office and Wandsworth Council staging Bond's *Saved*, murdered baby and all, in the ex-colonies?

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

And where the Bard first trod the boards

ARTS BRIEFING

AN OFFBEAT footnote to Sam Wanamaker's Globe plans, explored above: also being launched on Shakespeare's birthday this Friday is an attempt to locate the exact spot where the Shoreditch Theatre stood between 1576 and 1598. The theatre, built by James Burbage, was where Shakespeare made his first stage appearances.

The "Shakespeare in Shoreditch" Society, which is leading the campaign for excavation, says that 71 per cent of the site on which the Shoreditch Theatre is believed to have stood, is now "open land", mostly car parks; this would make archaeological exploration comparatively easy. Further details of the society's plans can be obtained from Paul Geake (071-249 6771).

Not made up

THE shortlist for this year's NCR Book Award has been announced. Out of 135 non-fiction titles entered by 72 different publishers for the £25,000 award, four are left in the running. They are: *Never Again — Britain 1941-1951* by Peter Hennessy; *The English Bible and the Seventeenth Century Revolution* by Christopher Hill; *Fever Pitch* by Nick Hornby; and *The Unnatural Nature of Science* by Lewis Wolpert. The winner will be announced on May 20.

● ANOTHER cathedral has decided to remedy sexual inequality in the choir stalls. Wells Cathedral is to start a girls choir to complement the centuries-old men-and-boys foundation. "The case for girl choristers has now been made and there can be little reason for holding back," says Richard Lewis, the Dean of Wells.

Anthony Crossland, the organist at Wells, says: "The girls will form an expert team, separate from but parallel to the boys, and will take their proper share in singing the services." Salisbury Cathedral already has both boys and girls choirs; while St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh mixes boys and girls in the same choir.

Last chance . . .

ALAN STRACHAN's revival of Noel Coward's *Hay Fever* gives that beguiling comedy a telling twist. It becomes less a sympathetic portrait of a family of outrageously misbehaving thespians, more the story of their abused, embarrassed, and finally appalled house-guests. Maria Aitken blithely glitters. Sara Crowe squeaks in social horror: all at the Albery Theatre (071-867 1115) until Saturday.



LONDON

LA FAVORITA: Written in the grand manner for the Paris Opéra, this stirring Romantic drama was one of the most popular of Donizetti's operas in the 19th-century. Productions today are sufficiently rare for even Welsh National Opera's ambitious but ultimately unsuccessful staging to be well worth seeing.
Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, WC2 (071-240 1066/1911), 5pm

AS YOU LIKE IT: Kate Buffery and Peter de Jersey find love under the greenwood tree in David Thacker's spirited revival.
Barbican, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Opens tonight, 7pm; tomorrow, 2pm and 7.15pm; then in repertory.

FOR SERVICES RENDERED: Sylvia Syms presides over a crumbling family in Somerset Maugham's 1932 play where all the characters are disillusioned with the first world war. First seen at the Salisbury Playhouse.
Old Vic, *Waterloo Road, SE1 (071-928 7616)* Opens tonight, 7pm; then Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Wed, 2.30pm, Sat, 4pm.

WILLARD WHITE: The powerful bass is accompanied by pianist Malcolm Martineau in a recital of Schubert, Brahms, Mahler and Copland.
Blackheath Concert Halls, 23 Lee Road, SE3 (081-463 0100), 8pm

DEACON BLUE: The inspired Scottish pop-rockers end their British tour.

TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Kari Knight

Hammersmith Apollo, Queen Caroline Street, W6 (081-748 4081), tonight, tomorrow, 7.30pm. **Brixton Academy**, Stockwell Road, SW9 (071-326 1022), Sat, 7.30pm.

SCENES FROM THE BURIED LIFE: South of the North Pole presents a steamy story of sexual obsession based on *South of No North* by Charles Bukowski. Directed by Clare Walters.
Man in the Moon Theatre, 392 King's Road, SW3 (071-351 2876). Tonight-Sun, 7pm. Final performances.

REGIONAL

BIRMINGHAM: The **City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra** performs an all-Russian programme under the baton of Leningrad-born conductor Yakov Kreizberg. Lynn Harrell is soloist in Shostakovich's Cello Concerto which is flanked by performances of Tchaikovsky's *Polonaise* from *Eugene Onegin* and Rachmaninov's Second Symphony.
Symphony Hall, Broad Street (021-212 3333), 7.30pm.

GLASGOW: Scottish Opera launches its summer season with its first ever production of Bellini's *Norma*. Ian Judge directs, with classical sets by John Gunter and costumes by Deirdre Clancy; the company's music director John Mauceri conducts. In an impressive cast, Jane Eaglen brings her powerful soprano to the title role, while Katherine Ciesinski sings Adalgisa. The *opening night is a gala in aid of Crusaid, Scotland.*
Theatre Royal, Hope Street (041-332 9000), 7.15pm.

NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME: Chris Martin's adaptation of Victor Hugo's Gothic tragedy of a hunchback, a peal of bells and the lovely Esmeralda: **The Hunchback of Notre Dame.**
New Victoria Theatre, Etruria Road (0782 717962). Opens tonight, 7.30pm; then Mon-Thurs, Sat, 7.30pm, Fri, 8pm, mat Sat, 2.30pm.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE: *Stars in the Morning Sky* by contemporary Russian writer Alexander Galin is given a new staging by **Northern Stage**. The piece is based on the real-life purge of Moscow's prostitutes during the 1980 Olympic Games.
Playhouse, Barras Bridge (091-232 7079) Tonight-Sat, 7.30pm, mat Sat, 2.30pm, until May 1.

NORTHAMPTON: The **Cracow Philharmonic Orchestra** performs Dvořák's *Carnival Overture*, Grieg's Piano Concerto (with pianist Ewa Poblocka) and Rimsky-Korsakov's symphonic suite, *Scheherazade*.
Derngate Theatre, 19/21 Guildhall Road (0604 24811), 7.30pm.

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

■ House full, returns only
◪ Some seats available
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□ **CHATSKY:** Colin Firth dishes out the spleen as the hero of Griboyedov's bitter comedy. Clever staging of Anthony Burgess's translation though the play hardly lives up to its Russian reputation as a major classic.
Almeida, Almeida Street, N1 (071-359 4404) Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm. 140mins. Final week.

◪ **CITY OF ANGELS:** Top quality *Larry Gelbart/Cy Coleman musical*, packed with wit, set in L.A. and the world of the private eye movie.
Prince of Wales, Coventry Street, W1 (071-839 5972) Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm. 180mins.

◪ **CRAZY FOR YOU.** Thrillingly staged new version of the Gershwin musical *Girl Crazy*. Exceptional entertainment value.
Prince Edward, *Old Compton Street*, W1 (071-734 8951) Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Thurs, Sat, 3pm. 150mins.

□ **CYRANO DE BERGERAC:** Robert Lindsay looks right as the nasally challenged hero but the production is too bustling to give enough room to the full poignancy of his tale.
Theatre Royal, Haymarket, *SW1 (071-930 8800)* Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed *and Sat, 2.30pm. 180mins*

◪ **THE DEEP BLUE SEA:** Penelope Wilton the victim of unsatisfactory men in Rattigan's well-staged but so old-fashioned drama.
Apollo, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5070). Mon-Fri, 7.45pm, Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, 4pm. 140mins.

□ **THE GIFT OF THE GORGON:** Blazing performance by Judi Dench in combat with Michael Pennington in Peter Shaffer's RSC success tackling the themes of justice and terrible revenge.
Wyndham's, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1116) Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mat Sat, 3pm. 165mins.

□ **HAY FEVER:** Maria Aitken and John Standing give their final performances in Coward's comedy.
Albery, *St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1116)* Tonight-Sat, 8pm, mats *Thurs, Sat, 3pm.* Closes Saturday

◪ ***THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST:*** Maggie Smith commands the brittle world of lost handbags in this elegant revival. With Alex Jennings, *Richard E. Grant, Margaret Tyzack.*
Aldwych, The Aldwych, WC2 (071-836 6404) Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm. 160mins.

■ **AN INSPECTOR CALLS:** Stephen Daldry's thrilling Expressionist production of Priestley's soul-searcher.
National (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight, tomorrow, 7.15pm, mat today, 2pm. 115mins

□ **THE INVISIBLE MAN.** Not so cosy a venue as its birthplace in Stratford East but the show is as jolly as ever. Paul Kiev's magic tricks are amazing.
Vaudeville, Strand, WC2 (071-836 9987) Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 3pm. 150mins

◪ **KISS OF THE SPIDER WOMAN:** Tremendously glossy production of the *Kander & Ebb musical, based on* Manuel Puig's novel. A new cast takes over led by Bebe Neuwirth.
Shaftesbury, Shaftesbury Avenue, WC2 (071-379 5399). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, Sat, 3pm. 160mins.

□ **THE LAST YANKEE:** Subtle and touching Arthur Miller premiere: Margot Leicester, Peter Davison lead a quartet of middle-aged Americans troubled by *material success. First seen at the* Young Vic.
Duke of York's, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122) Previewing eves, 7.45pm, opens May 4, 7.45pm; then Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 5pm

□ **LOST IN YONKERS:** Terrific performance by Rosemary Harris in a Neil Simon comedy more weighty than usual. *Maureen Lipman gives good* value as a loopy aunt.

Strand, Aldwych, WC2 (071-930 8800). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm. 160mins.

□ **MISERY.** Julie T. Wallace and Nigel Le Vaillant in nonsensical but chilling production of Stephen King's thriller.
Criterion, Piccadilly Circus, W1 (071-839 4488). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, 4pm. 150mins

□ **NO MAN'S LAND:** Paul Eddington and the author in tense, sharply-comic Pinter. Riveting stuff.
Comedy, Panton Street, W1 (071-867 1045). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 5pm. 130mins.

◪ **ON THE PISTE:** John Godber's slight but amusing look at partner trouble in a downmarket ski resort.
Garrick, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-494 5085). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm. 135mins.

□ **TRAVELS WITH MY AUNT:** John Wells, William Gaunt, Richard Kane and Christopher Gee play all 26 parts in Giles Havergal's cunning adaptation of *Graham Greene's novel.*
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NEW RELEASES

◆ **ACCIDENTAL HERO** (15)
Promising satire on hero worship, marred by a grating Dustin Hoffman performance and a director (Stephen Frears) not in total control. Starring Andy Garcia, Geena Davis.
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◆ **BODY OF EVIDENCE** (18)
Predatory murder suspect Madonna hooks defence lawyer Willem Dafoe. Silly, sleazy attempt to rival *Basic Instinct*. Director, Uli Edel.
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DUST DEVIL (18) Hitch-hiking devil *(Robert Burke) stalks the defenceless in* Namibia's desert. Pretentious British mish-mash of other people's movies from style-conscious director Richard Stanley
Scala (071-278 0051).

CURRENT

◆ **FOREVER YOUNG** (PG): Test pilot frozen for 50 years awakes and searches for true love. Endearing old-fashioned fantasy; director, Steve Miner.
MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2636) **MGM Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031).

◆ **HOWARDS END** (PG): Absorbing version of E.M. Forster's novel about two colliding families with different ideals. *With Anthony Hopkins, Emma* Thompson, Helena Bonham-Carter. Director, James Ivory.
Curzon Phoenix (071-240 9661) **Odeon Mezzanine** (0426 915683)

INDOCHINE (12) Love in a hot colonial climate. A trite plot, but Catherine Deneuve and gorgeous images carry the day. Director, Régis Wargnier
Curzon West End (071-439 4805) **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666).

◆ **THE JUNGLE BOOK** (U): Disney's most endearing cartoon of the Sixties: witty, tuneful, with a wonderful line-up of jungle characters inspired by Kipling.
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◆ **LEAP OF FAITH** (PG): Steve Martin's evangelical conman finds his match in drought-stricken Texas. Hard-going drama: with Debra Winger, Liam Neeson. Director, Richard Pearce.
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◆ **MALCOLM X** (15): Spike Lee's ambitious epic. Denzel Washington is solid as the black activist, but prickly issues get sidestepped, and there is little cinematic fire.
MGM Shaftesbury Avenue (071-836 6279) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332).

OLIVIER OLIVIER *(15): Teenager* missing for six years returns home, but is it really him? Fascinating story, but prosaic treatment by director Agnieszka Holland.
MGM Swiss Centre (071-439 4470).

◆ **ONE FALSE MOVE** (18): Excellent rural film noir from director Carl Franklin. Bill Paxton as the Arkansas sheriff faced with two fleeing drug dealers and a tantalising moll. With Cynda Williams, Billy Bob Thornton.
Camden Plaza (071-485 2443) **MGM Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Metro** (071-437 0757) **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666) **Screen on the Green** (071-226 3520).

ORLANDO (PG): Virginia Woolf's exuberant novel about a free spirit (Tilda Swinton) who lives for 400 years, changing sex en route; filmed with great aplomb by British director Sally Potter.
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THE OX (12): A stark family tragedy from 1860s Sweden, beautifully recounted by director Sven Nykvist. *Stellan Skarsgard and Ewa Froling as* the luckless couple who kill their neighbour's ox.
Chelsea (071-351 3742/3743) **Renoir** (071-837 8402).

PARIS IS BURNING: Jennie *Livingston's half-sad, half-exhilarating* documentary about Harlem's drag balls of the late Eighties.
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THE SILENT TOUCH (15): Music student Lothaire Bluteau helps rejuvenate crusty composer Max von Sydow. Fetching comic fable about music and love's regenerative powers from Krzysztof Zanussi.
Curzon Mayfair (071-465 8865).

◆ **SPLITTING HEIRS** (12): Eric Idle seeks to retrieve his dukedom from American usurper Rick Moranis. Lamentable British comedy; with Barbara Hershey, Catherine Zita Jones. Director, Robert Young.
Empire *(071-437 1234/497 9999)* **MGM Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **MGM Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332).

USED PEOPLE (12): Will Jewish widower Shirley MacLaine accept Marcello Mastroianni's advances? Queasy comedy romance. Director, Beeban Kidron.
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WIND (PG): Carroll Ballard's visually luxurious but water-logged drama about the America's Cup race. With Matthew Modine, Jennifer Grey
Plaza *(071-437 1234/497 9999).*

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Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

PUPPET THEATRE: Miniaturised but still magical Mozart from some rare visitors

All-star casts, with no strings



The Magic Flute: the musical attention to detail of the recording used is wonderfully mirrored in the antics of "Pamina" and "Papageno"

Salzburg Marionettes
Alexandra Theatre, Birmingham

EVERY day this week, Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau, Rita Streich and Ernst Haefliger can be heard in *The Magic Flute* in Birmingham. The orchestra pit is empty, the singers invisible. Their performance is exactly the same, night after night.

The Salzburg Marionette Theatre is in town. Birmingham, not content with its Symphony Orchestra and its Symphony Hall, has scooped the first British visit since 1976 of this world-renowned, multi-jointed troupe, and it is quite some experience. Gretl Aicher, grand-daughter of the puppets' founder, Anton, has brought her band of virtuoso puppeteers, with the organic *Jugendstil* forms of Gunther Schneider-Siemssen's formidable, rocky sets; and, of course, the ever so slightly musty, yet musically dynamic old DG recording of *Die Zauberflöte* with its vintage cast conducted by Ferenc Fricsay.

The presence of the tiny, distant velvet-curtained proscenium within a proscenium gives rise to some audience confusion. Do you clap after the arias, or chat through them? Do you gobble all your popcorn during the overture, or leave a little to crunch through that long chorus to Isis and Osiris?

And what on earth is it all about anyway? With the songs in German and the dialogue in English, there was not a little bewilderment as to the storyline. "You shall see how I shall avenge myself upon her!" cries Sarastro, and breaks into the most benevolent of songs he has ever sung. The time-honoured Fricsay recording is without peer, but there does seem a case here for the company to consider using a performance in the English language.

The minutely expressive phrasing of Fischer-Dieskau's Papageno, the princely grace of Haefliger's Tamino, the vocal and spiritual profundity of Josef Greindl's Sarastro did a lot, though, to make things clear. And their attention to detail was wonderfully mirrored in the antics of the marionettes.

Here was a Papageno whose tiny, bird like movements led him to semi-levitation; here was a Tamino who moved (and sometimes spoke) just like the Prince of Wales. Here, too, was a Queen of Night who floated down the sky on a crescent moon; and here was a menagerie of individually characterised and superbly animated creatures to dance to Tamino's tune.

If puppet-Pamina and puppet-Brotherhood were somewhat less convincing creatures of flesh and blood, then the procession of tableaux-vivants created by Geza Rech's production made its mark every time, from the slow raising of Sarastro's trumpets to the final clearing from cave to sunscape.

Between now and May 1, the Salzburg Marionettes join Joan Sutherland, Placido Domingo and Birgit Nilsson, among others, in productions of *Don Giovanni* and *The Tales of Hoffmann*. Not to be missed.

HILARY FINCH

LONDON CONCERTS: Large and small ensembles, deftly directed, from dais or desk

Right men in charge of the right bands

BBCSO/Wand
Philharmonia/Jansons
Festival Hall

UNQUESTIONABLY, this pair of concerts had the right horses running the right courses. **Mariss Jansons**, spruce and youthful, took the **Philharmonia Orchestra** through its paces in a Saturday night programme of popular showpieces, while the previous evening the venerable figure of **Gunter Wand** slowly made his way to the podium to conduct those two great unfinished symphonies, Schubert's Eighth and Bruckner's Ninth, with the **BBC Symphony Orchestra**. Both men, quite rightly, received rapturous applause from huge audiences.

Wand was the less fortunate, for he found the BBCSO below its best form. Already, in a typically fulsome reading of the Schubert, one which accented in a manner unfashionable among a younger generation of conductors the dark side of this music, he was hampered by a woodwind section whose intonation was suspect. There was also a fragility about the higher strings which persisted throughout the concert. Nevertheless Wand shaped his reading with the sureness we have come to expect, and he encouraged some delicious woodwind colours, poor tuning or not.

But the main focus of the concert was Bruckner's massive work. Wand allowed the elemental vision of the first movement, a glorious organism which powers towards that closing raw fifth like some huge, moving mountain, to unfold spaciously while never losing the strands of concentration necessary to bind the music together. If anyone were to think him a conductor unable to impart a fiercer kind of energy, the Scherzo here would have proved the doubter wrong. With the first fortissimo Wand summoned angry hell-fire, the music's rhythms and dissonant harmonies seeming to hammer from the inside of the skull.

Then came that long Adagio, the finale as the work stands, with its tortured opening interval, its chromatic harmony, its awesome brass climaxes, its paradoxical sensations of darkness and light, and that enormous, terrible dissonance, a vision of the abyss. Wand looked this music unflinchingly in the eye, and if this realisation did not always meet the standards such a vision demanded (the brass section was excellent throughout) the message nevertheless came across with deeply affecting power.

JANSONS tackled visionary terrors too, in Strauss's *Tod und Verklärung*, the meatiest piece of the four in his concert. He had the considerable advantage of a Philharmonia on its mettle, with a firm string sound and with woodwinds that blended to perfection, so he was able to bring us vividly to the side of the dying man. But how curious that even in this involving performance we still experience this music from outside. Although we marvel at Strauss's musical translation of this rite of passage, we are witnesses, not partakers; Bruckner's agonies, on the other hand, are ours too.

Jansons rather oddly followed his Strauss with the disturbing refractions of Ravel's *La Valse*, enjoying the swagger and virtuosity to the full but never losing sight of its dark side either. Another quite magnificent performance, as was that of Smetana's overture to *The Bartered Bride*.

But the star turn of his concert came with **Itzhak Perlman**'s reading of Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto. No violinist plays with a lovelier sound, greater facility or more apparent pleasure.

STEPHEN PETTITT

Making the case for leading by example

COE/Blankestijn
COE/Fischer
Barbican Hall

IN THE post-Nigel Kennedy era, a performance of a work as familiar as Vivaldi's *Four Seasons* has to be something special if it is to be deserving of attention. The account by **Marieke Blankestijn** with the Chamber Orchestra of Europe on Thursday offered neither high jinks nor period instruments — just a small group of dedicated musicians drawn from this highly regarded itinerant European orchestra. But it was a performance as satisfying as any I can remember.

Blankestijn stood facing the audience like a soloist, and neither she nor anyone else appeared to be directing the ensemble. But this was a well disciplined, strongly characterised account.

In Blankestijn's performance, as in that of the ensemble generally, virtuosity of the highest order could be taken for granted. But, more importantly, that technical mastery was used to point up the colours and programmatic content of the concertos. Thus the birdsongs of Summer were delightfully airy, revelling in the unhurried rustic spirit. Yet within the same movement, the approaching thunderstorm was depicted by ominously tautened rhythms and more emphatic articulation. In the finale of Autumn, the thrill of the chase was evoked in the sharply dotted horn-call figures, while in the last concerto, the chill blasts of Winter were vividly captured in an unadorned, but very effective rendering of Vivaldi's unusual scoring.

For Tchaikovsky's Serenade in C the ensemble was more obviously directed from the front desk by Gerard Korsten. Even so, what impressed was the enthusiastic input of every player.

BRAHMS's Hungarian Dances, if they are heard in the concert hall at all, are usually relegated to the encores. But they contain some excellent music and fully deserved the place alloted to them at the head of the COE's concert under **Ivan Fischer** on Sunday. Fischer himself arranged the three dances played, and did it so skilfully that the innocent ear would never have known it was not Brahms's work.

Hungarian by birth, Fischer also conducted with a perfect command of the gipsy-influenced idiom: the clipped, expectant upbeats, the little rushes and hesitations, the general rhythmic abandon. At the riotous end of the last dance, the mind's eye conjured a vision of these fiddlers dancing on the tables as serving wenches offered flagons of ale.

The national theme was continued in Bartók's Third Piano Concerto, in which the soloist was the Hungarian-born Andras Schiff. He is well versed in the baroque and classical repertory, and brings to Bartók a sharpness of definition infinitely more rewarding than heavy-handed virtuosity. There is an illuminating quality to his authority that takes the breath away.

Mozart's sets of dances, like Brahms's, deserve to be heard a good deal more often. Many date from the late years when he was at the peak of his powers, and are far more than mere ballroom fodder. Their colourful scoring alone — pizzicato strings, spicy piccolo, sleighbells and posthorns are all to be heard — makes a strong case for them, especially when dispatched with a vigorous swing, as here.

To end this splendidly chosen programme, we had one of the richest, most consistently engaging of Haydn's late symphonies: No 102. When rattled off with the razor-sharp precision, flawless blends and impeccable sense of style brought by the COE and Fischer, this music is sheer joy.

BARRY MILLINGTON

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Putting Molesworth in the picture

Simon Tait reports on an initiative by Lord Sainsbury to help schoolchildren to enjoy great paintings


TIM BISHOP

Canvassing support: children from Archbishop Tennyson School in Kennington, south London, bring in reproductions of paintings from public galleries to brighten up the classrooms

Lord Sainsbury of Preston Candover is a doughty veteran of cultural battles, fighting notably on behalf of the Royal Opera House (of which he was chairman, and where he is prominent in the campaign to finance the new development) and the National Gallery, for which his family built a £50-million extension. But perhaps he is taking on his most formidable adversary yet: Nigel Molesworth and his ilk.

He is defying the nation's 12-year-olds, whose evil genius for making the finest works of art into a good giggle is formidable. From today, 750 state secondary schools around the country will start receiving large flat packages containing items for the enjoyment — emphasis, you will note, on *enjoyment*, not education — of the pupils. Inside the parcels will be framed reproductions of famous paintings.

But what if, in their garish imaginations, the Molesworths choose to add naughty bits to the delectable forms of Bacchus and Ariadne; or see the odd eye of newt spicing up the eggs in an old woman's mixing bowl; or feel Mondrian's boxes could be more fun with a couple of noughts and crosses? Does that matter?

"There are some who will only see the ridiculous, and some who will be switched on," Lord Sainsbury says. "That's life. But they have to have the opportunity because for many there is no art at home either." There was not any, it turns out, in the Sainsbury boyhood, until he started at a prep school, where a Constable, a Burne-Jones and a Van Gogh on the classroom wall switched him on.

Yesterday he launched the Sainsbury "Pictures for Schools" scheme. Costing almost £250,000 a year, the scheme is to run for at least five years; next year it will be the turn of primary schools. "Understanding paintings is low on schools' lists of priorities. They have no money to consider this kind of thing," Lord Sainsbury says. "I was taught to draw at school, but not how to read a picture."

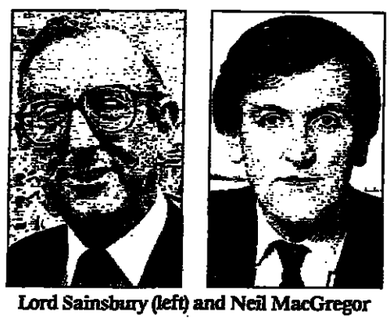
So there will be teaching packs and slides with each set of pictures. For the selection of the pictures Lord Sainsbury has teamed up again with Neil MacGregor, director of the National Gallery.

The choice of schools stemmed from the involvement that the supermarket giant already has in the community. A policy established by Sainsbury's more than ten years ago is that each store forges a liaison with three schools in its area, to tap not only the good will of shoppers present and future, but a fruitful source of employees.

The Pictures for Schools scheme was devised by Sainsbury's arts sponsorship committee, which also came up with Sainsbury's two other major arts beneficiaries: the Sainsbury's Choir of the Year and the Arts Education Award. The latter funds what it considers to be the best education schemes devised by arts companies. This year Sainsbury's total arts sponsorship is worth £800,000 — £50,000 more than last year.

MacGregor has chosen the eight paintings for this year. *The Entombment* (1460) by Dieric Bouts and *Bacchus and Ariadne* (c.1522-23) by Titian are both to be found in the National Gallery. Titian's *Three Ages of Man* (c.1510-1515) and *An Old Woman Cooking Eggs* (1618) by Velasquez both come from the National Gallery of Scotland. *Landscape with the Ashes of Phocion* (c.1648) by Poussin is in the Walker Art Gallery in Liverpool; *A Bar at the Folies-Bergère* (1822) by Manet comes from the Courtauld Institute Galleries. And *Composition with Grey, Red, Yellow and Blue* (1920-c.1926) by Mondrian, along with Stanley Spencer's gigantic *The Resurrection, Cookham* (1923-27), are both in the Tate Gallery. The latter had been in store after conservation and has now been specially rehung.

Part of the scheme is that MacGregor explains his choice on television, in ten-minute slots broadcast on BBC 2 for five consecutive nights, beginning next Monday at 7.20pm. And the choice does need some explaining, as MacGregor admits. There is nothing from the 18th century, and nothing painted later than the 1920s. He says that the selection was purely personal: he made no attempt to avoid the obvious collections or pick pictures evenly from the regions. The paintings were the point, and here was a chance for perhaps half a million children to get to know them.


Lord Sainsbury (left) and Neil MacGregor

'Galleries have difficulty providing an adequate education service'

The scheme is symptomatic of the extension of sponsorship into the community. The idea is to address the problem of inaccessibility, and of the uneven dispersal of great paintings in public collections. Many of those paintings may be in storage anyway. And even if they are not, hard-pressed museums and galleries have enormous difficulty in providing an adequate education service, as well as getting painting into schools.

"We have two principles," says Lord Sainsbury. "These schemes are sponsorship, not patronage, so there is an element of publicity for us. And there must be something which the customers and staff can relate to."

"It's a brilliant way to make painting part of the visual furniture in schools," MacGregor says. "I want schoolchildren to become as comfortable with paintings as they are with, say, poetry — which, after all, they can quote easily by the sixth form. I want to fix the idea of looking at paintings as if they are alive and readable.

"I haven't chosen them to teach children about painting, but to show that paintings from any age are about feelings we all have, and about life now. The Titian is about sex, and about the hope, grief and fear that adolescents have always experienced about love.

"I hope these paintings will help children to discover what it is to be alive."

FESTIVAL: The Los Angeles Philharmonic in Lucerne

Transatlantic passion

COLDER, wetter and shorter than its more famous brother, the Lucerne Easter Festival is scarcely less valuable for that. A programme of five concerts in four days — the three major ones given by the same orchestra — adds up to a more concentrated experience.

Much depends, of course, on the quality of the orchestra engaged. Last year, it was the *London Symphony Orchestra*; the year before, it would have been the New York Philharmonic if the Gulf War had not grounded it. This year, it was the Los Angeles Philharmonic, the first in what the festival president predicts will be a tradition of American orchestras in Easter residence. The summer festival will concentrate on European orchestras.

With Esa-Pekka Salonen having taken over as musical director, the LA Philharmonic was an inspired choice on the part of Matthias Bamert, who is director of both Lucerne festivals. There is clearly a honeymoon going on. It is true that they are not well equipped for Haydn, whose "Philosopher" Symphony (No 22) emerged limp and pointless at the beginning of their first concert. But, as well as being an acknowledgement of the Easter occasion (with its church-sonata construction and its chorale-based first movement) that was part of a long-term strategy.

Certainly, after a similarly restrained but much more purposeful performance of Beethoven's Piano Concerto No 2 in B Flat, with Christian Zacharias the stylish soloist, Nielsen's Fifth Symphony was a considerable shock. Having disconcerted the audience at home with the same work earlier in the season, the orchestra created a sensation here too — but not (except in one possible instance of theatrical stage management associated with a marching side drum) in any way which would damage the musical integrity. Balance was miraculously well sustained throughout the excesses of the military assault, and the moment of melodic triumph over alien and inimical rhythms was uncommonly moving. What Salonen could do if his left hand was even only half as effective as his right, it is difficult to imagine.

Finally, Mahler's Third Symphony, in the last concert, while revealing a few cracks in the otherwise impressive brass facade, demonstrated how powerful and yet how flexible the strings are, and how responsive the woodwind. It was a revelation on a technical level — that it is not only possible to observe all of Mahler's markings, but also positively advantageous to do so — and it was a revelation of how delightfully fresh the middle movements still are at the right tempo and, finally, of how the dangerously constructed finale can be made to hold and accumulate interest from the first bar to the last.

GERALD LARNER


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Universal loneliness: Jeffrey Lawton as a heroic Tristan and Anne Evans as a strong Isolde

Everyman's voice

Tristan und Isolde
Covent Garden

WELSH National Opera's new *Tristan und Isolde* reached Covent Garden on the latest stage of its tour on Monday, duly packing the house out, and duly overpowering the senses with its inflated infatuation, its intense monologues, its intoxicating music which eases the work into its final tragic blackness.

Yannis Kokkos, who has taken the concept of *Gesamkunstwerk* seriously and both produced and designed this version, has succeeded in his principal task, of turning a simple love story into a vast representation of Everyman's psyche. Tristan is about emotions we all know, about our universal loneliness and its conquering.

Kokkos's sets, based on a framed inner stage that looks at first like a giant television, are simple and geometrically strong, representational rather than abstract, yet symbols rather than actualities. The precarious, askew slabs in the final act are particularly visually dramatic, signifying simultaneously the collapse of worldly order and the strength of the other-worldly union to come. Guido Levi's lighting poetically stresses the prevailing gloom throughout.

One of the problems of *Tristan* is how you make the participants in a ritual seem like individuals. Kokkos has succeeded by encouraging his singers to explore their roles through their own personalities. There is none of the stiff acting that can damage such an epic.

There is also much fine singing. Anne Evans gives a ravishing performance as Isolde, strong and firm, powerful yet subtly tender too. Jeffrey Lawton's Tristan, though betraying moments of strain, nevertheless carries with it an immensely tragic, heroic conviction. A Brangäne of considerable influence and dramatic dimension, Della Jones shows all of that distinctive, piercingly rich higher register, that almost masculine lower range — while her opposite number, the loyal Kurwenal, rings with confidence thanks to Richard Paul Fink's relatively young but wise and ripe voice.

But the voice perhaps closest to its prime is that of Peter Rose, a statuesque, solemn, dignified, though ultimately broken, King Marke.

Once into its stride, the WNO orchestra generally plays quite beautifully, with Sir Charles Mackerras shaping the music carefully and without undue hurry.

STEPHEN PETTITT

PREVIEW

New trial of Kafka, on stage

IN SOVIET-occupied Czechoslovakia, Franz Kafka's *The Trial* was a dangerous novel. The authorities feared the story of Joseph K, arrested and tried for an offence that is never fully defined, could too easily be interpreted as an allegory on the ruthless and arbitrary workings of a totalitarian regime. Along with Kafka's other works, *The Trial* was banned in the Eastern bloc for 20 years.

To portray Joseph K on stage in 1990s London is also a dangerous occupation, but for different reasons. To realise K's journey, the actor must chart the uncertain landscape that lies between sanity and madness.

Lida Engelova, director of the British-Czech production of *The Trial* which opens at the Young Vic next week, recalls the fate of the three actors who played K during 1966 and 1967, when the adaptation she is using, by Czech philosopher Jan Grossman, first toured Czechoslovakia and England: "The first left Czechoslovakia for good, the second became a communist and the third stopped acting and became a priest."

It is no wonder the latest Joseph K, James Wilby, has a preoccupied air at the end of the third week of rehearsal. A Kafkaesque metamorphosis is at work on the tall, pale 35-year-old. The actor who has cornered the market in depicting aristocratic Englishmen is painfully transforming himself into the doomed Joseph K.

"Joseph K is certainly the most challenging part I've ever played," says Wilby. "My head's been exploding. In fact the first week I felt so bombarded by ideas I vowed I'd stick to film ever after."

Past adapters of *The Trial*, from Orson Welles to Steven Berkoff, have tended to emphasise a particular social or political line. K has been depicted as a Jewish victim of the Nazis or at the mercy of the communists. Engelova's determinedly political production aims to find again the clarity and simplicity of the original story. Her production is also distinctive because she has chosen to depict K not as a victim but as inherently guilty.


Exploding: James Wilby

Guilty of what? The Czech composer of the show, Zdenek Sikola, is convinced that a modern audience is bound to think of K as a man with Aids: the production will focus on the question, is an Aids sufferer a victim, or guilty? Wilby is impatient with this assumption: "I wouldn't want to root it too specifically in the Aids metaphor — it's too glib."

Wilby himself sees K's guilt as that of human self-centredness and indifference: "K is guilty because he always tries to blame those around him. He never looks inside himself and asks, 'Who am I? How can I best use my time here?' This is something we all share."

ELLEN CRANITCH

● The Trial *begins previews at the Young Vic (071-928 6363) tomorrow, and opens on Monday*

RADIO: how do advertisers sell the unacceptable?

Means and morals

HOW moral are advertising agencies? This is the question emerging from a Radio 4 series on Saturday afternoons, **Ice Cream to Eskimos.**

Three Birmingham ad agencies are each about to take on a pressure group as a client. One pressure group is trying to persuade employers to take on ex-convicts, one campaigns against feminism, one defends fox-hunting. We hear each client describing what it wants to the agency, then we hear the agency people talking among themselves.

The ad people all seem to be very politically correct — but does that necessarily mean moral? The pro-convict group gives least anxiety to its agency: this cause, they think, must be acceptable. Their moral problem is that the clients would like them to take an ex-prisoner on to their own staff to see what it is all about, and they are not so sure.

The group that believes a woman's place is in the home is most alarming to the agency people. "What will my wife think if we take this lot on?" says one. They try to persuade the clients to agree to a positive campaign, stressing the satisfaction many women find in staying at home — but the clients are tougher than that. They want a real attack on what they regard as harmful feminist ideas. So far it is stalemate.

The agency that has been asked to promote fox-hunting is also pretty uneasy. It searches around for ways of looking at fox-hunting that will make it, in their eyes, more acceptable. They are delighted when they realise, for example, that only 10,000 foxes a year are killed by the hounds, whereas 150,000 die in pain when they are trapped or poisoned.

The next two weeks will take us through to the agencies' final decisions. So far, it must be said, the ad people have proved to be neither particularly professional nor particularly moral.

Only a couple of hours later, as it happened, Robert Robinson was talking in **Ad Lib** on Radio 4 to some Scottish gamekeepers. They had no moral qualms about their jobs. "Man is a hunter," they said.

They also revealed that what was required these days was the ability to talk on equal terms with the rich businessmen who came to Scotland to shoot. Keeping up with the Stock Exchange is priority number one in the glens today: the red deer comes second to the pink pages.

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On course for successful job hunting

Students who behave as though they are in the real world while still at college are those in line for jobs, says Beryl Dixon

Almost a year ago Rachel Bowman was at a conference for college leavers organised by the Angela Mortimer Recruitment Consultancy, during the course of which she received an award given by the consultancy to their "Best Student of the Year". This year she will be attending a similar conference to present a prize to her successor.

"We give this award to a student we see with potential to reach the top," explains Penny Humphries, college leaver executive at the agency. "Our choices to date look likely to bear this out. Last year's winner has been promoted twice in her first two years at work."

Ms Bowman was chosen from the 500 students for who Mrs Humphries and her team help to organise work experience while they are at college. "We start the judging from the minute they walk through our door," she says, "when they're about two-thirds of the way through their course. They must conduct themselves as though they were attending an interview for a real job. Then naturally, they have to have a good work experience report and they should also be in the running for a typing speed of at least 50 wpm and shorthand at 100 by the time they leave college."

Angela Mortimer staff get to know the students well over the following months as they begin to job hunt in earnest, and so are able to draft out a shortlist — but the decision is not solely theirs. The colleges that the students come from are also consulted and their staff's recommendations taken into account.

Ms Bowman is secretary to Lord Blakenham, chairman and chief executive of Pearson plc and his assistant Ros Wild. She finds the work interesting and the post perfect for someone in her first job.

"Ros and I share an office. I see everything that comes in and out of a chairman's office and I am learning all the time. The work is varied because Pearson is so diverse. I handle work from companies as different as the *Financial Times*, Penguin Books, Lazards, Alton Towers (part of Madame Tussauds) and Royal Doulton. In addition, Lord Blakenham is a non-executive director of several other companies. His mail is enormous. Correspondence comes from all the subsidiary companies and in connection with many of his other interests — and he receives a lot of invitations."

PETER TREVNOR



Shorthand type: an action plan plus good skills won Rachel Bowman an award as well as a job

Ms Bowman assists generally with the office administration as needed, but has some specific responsibilities. She makes all her employer's business travel arrangements, for example, and takes shorthand dictation. "Ros drafts some correspondence for Lord Blakenham to look at, but if he has letters or other things that he wants to compose himself he calls me in."

Ms Bowman finds that her shorthand is improving fast through constant use. "I am not sure what speed it is now, but it is certainly good enough for me to cope with fast dictation speed. My job includes standing in for the directors' PAs when they are away. One of them has a very experienced PA with a top speed and he dictates almost at normal speaking speed."

How did Ms Bowman get her job? "I had two priorities. I wanted to work in a blue chip company and I wanted to use my shorthand. Some of my friends have first jobs with no shorthand and they are having to make sure that they keep it up in their spare time. I was advised by my college and by the recruitment consultants that in order to use shorthand I could either look for a job in which I would be reporting to several managers or I could become a second secretary. I decided on the latter — and it was the right choice because, as I said, I am observing a PA at work and learning from her."

Ms Bowman attended several interviews. "I came to see Ros at 8.30 one morning and was asked to come back to see Lord Blakenham at 5.30. I was very nervous because he has such a high profile and I had read a lot about him when I was researching Pearson before the interview. I was apprehensive about meeting him in the flesh, but he was so nice and put me at my ease. The next day I was offered the job."

Ms Bowman did all the right things. She had an action plan, having decided during the year while listening to presentations and careers talks at her college, on the sort of company she hoped to work for; she applied for jobs within her capabilities; she did her homework thoroughly before each application and found out all she could about each company and its business. She interviewed well — and was fortunate enough to be able to turn down two job offers.

She did very well in a year that saw college leavers hit by the decision of many employers not to recruit new staff. This year is little or no better. Students must be prepared to make numerous applications — and the main piece of advice is "be flexible".

Jo Cottrell, principal of St Aldates, Oxford, where Ms Bowman trained, says: "At first they all have rigid ideas, like wanting to work in the media. We encourage them to consider a range of openings. At the same time I always stress *commitment*. I tell them they must be able to demonstrate genuine interest in the work of the organisations they apply to — and, naturally, prove that when they begin work."

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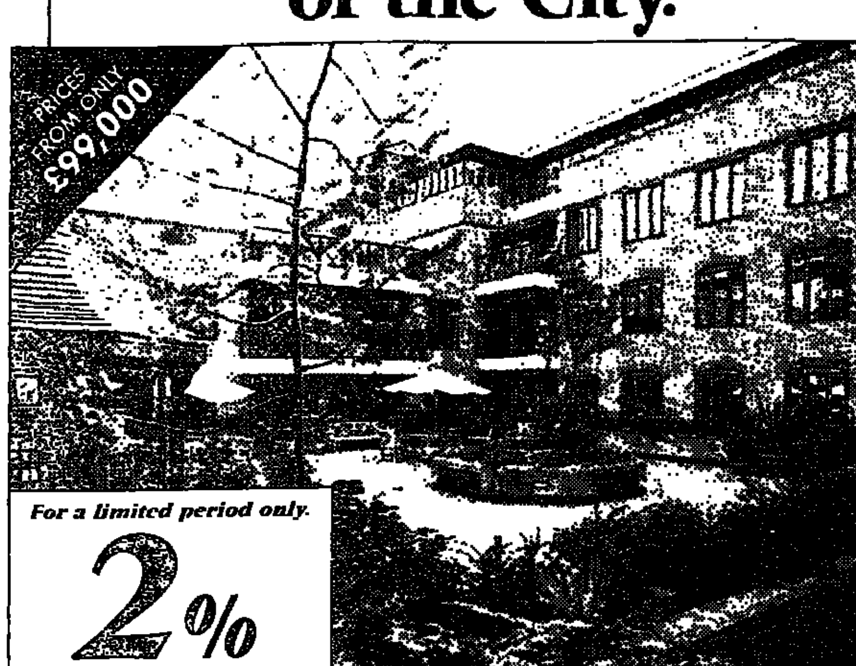
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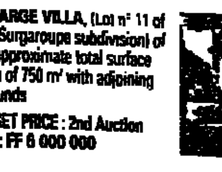
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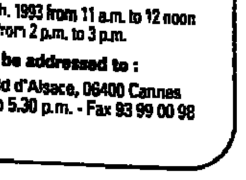
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Faint stirrings in a lean market

Properties at the top end of the price range are beginning to sell — but only, as **James Fisher** reports, when their condition and price are perfect

The country house market is not so different from the rest of the housing market, except that its constituent parts are bigger. Like an elephant it takes longer for it to slow down and stop and longer for it to regain its momentum. For a while last year it seemed that this lumbering beast had gone into hibernation. Now there are at last some signs that it is heaving itself back onto its legs.

All the major agents have had the four significant properties illustrated (right) on their books for up to three years. There is nothing much wrong with any of them. They could all be described as prime properties and what they also have in common are a hostile market with no buyers around and prices perceived to be too high. Most came onto the market just after the bubble had burst and have stuck. But there is perhaps some hope for them and other country houses.

> Vendors must keep their feet firmly on the ground

Knight Frank & Rutley did 40 per cent of its country house business for the year in the last quarter of 1992 when it normally expects to do 20 per cent. They have seen a continued increase in turnover this year.

But "the market is patchy", says Rupert Sweeting, an associate partner in KFR's country house department. He can't see huge increases in prices, but he can see an increase in volume. He reckons the relatively thin appearance of *Country Life* is a good guide to a market which is "at or close to the bottom in terms of price".

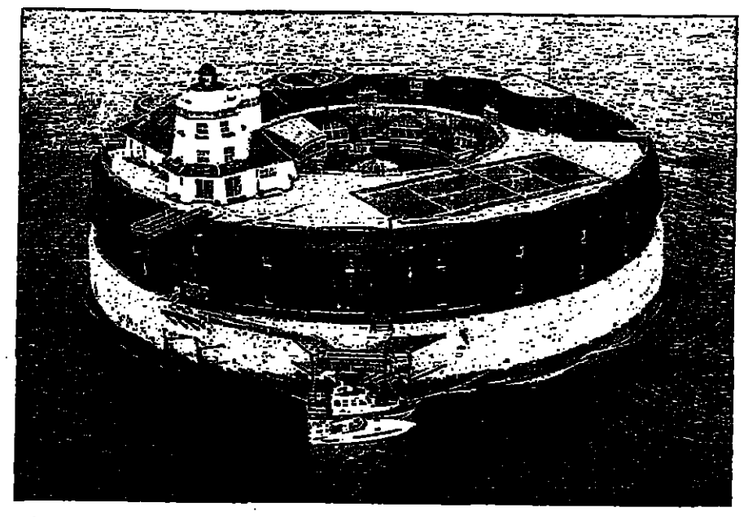
Sensibly priced properties "without warts" are selling well and an element of competition has returned, with two or three bidders pushing realistic asking prices up. This competition is helped by the lack of this type of house on the market. A good example of the effect is Crooksbury, a Lutyens house in Tilford, Surrey, which had been on the market for about a year with another agent. KFR reduced its asking price to £750,000 and sold it for a little over £1 million.

Colin Mackenzie, director in charge of country houses for Hamptons, also cites the *Country Life* syndrome: he cannot remember thinner March or April issues. But although houses which came onto the market from 1991 onwards are selling at 60-80 per cent of the vendors' original expectation, they are at least selling. In an encouraging start to the year, Mr Mackenzie has even seen the spectre of gazumping return, as buyers realise that they must fight for the quality they want.

"The market is lean," Mr Mackenzie says, and the lack of prime property in prime areas looks likely to remain a problem. Until stability and confidence return and with them the expectation of receiving 100 per cent plus of the asking price, there is little encouragement for potential vendors. Several factors, including the influx of money from overseas and a shortage in stock might bring these about. But Mr Mackenzie believes more resolve on the part of buyers is needed to make the move into country houses.

Justin Marking, of Savills, reckons the market has bottomed out and has noticed one encouraging knock-on effect: "A shortage on the market has led to premiums which in itself has led to people deciding to sell." Savills is in a better position than last year and Mr Marking believes that houses will come onto the market later in the year than usual, strengthening this position.

Historically the London market leads the way and Savills' London office has been busy. Mr Marking is expecting to see a ripple effect emanating from the capital soon, causing prices to harden, but he sounds a warning: "Vendors must keep their feet firmly on the ground," to maintain a narrow gap between their expectations and the price which will be paid. "Sensible prices are the key."



IN MAY 1990 agents Knight Frank & Rutley announced the sale of a very unusual property. Three miles to the south of Portsmouth in the middle of the Solent is a doughnut-shaped three-quarter acre fort completed in 1880 to defend the harbour. Bought in 1986, it was converted into living accommodation with five bedroom suites, an indoor swimming pool, gymnasium and outdoor tennis court. Next to its own lighthouse are three helicopter landing pads. The sale originally included a helicopter, boats and trained crew. The guide price? £5.75 million. Now the helicopter, crew and boats have been removed from the package and No Man's Land has been reduced to £2.5 million.



TWELVE MILES from Bedford in the village of Hinwick is Hinwick House, a grade one listed Queen Anne property standing in 35 acres. Hinwick House was built in 1713 for Richard Orlebar and remained in the Orlebar family's ownership until 1991. It boasts a "listed" four-seater lavatory, plus six bedrooms, seven bathrooms, three cottages and stabling on its grounds but is in need of some modernisation. Savills first marketed it in the summer of 1991 at an asking price of £1.95 million. It was readvertised last year without success. Acting for the mortgagees Savills are now selling Hinwick House by tender on June 1 for £675,000.



MALTMAS GREEN, near Denham, Buckinghamshire, is a grade two listed William and Mary house with parts dating from 1700. It is a sizable property, boasting six bedrooms and three bathrooms and standing in 17 acres of grounds. Within these are a large indoor heated swimming pool, hard tennis court, water garden and a lodge at the gates. The house has been modernised and is in good condition. Maltmas Green was put on the market in 1990 by joint agents John D Wood and Hamptons acting for Harry Saltzman, producer of the Bond films (Pinewood studios, where they were made, is nearby). The asking price was £3 million. Three years later the price has dropped to £1.25 million.



FIFTY-FIVE miles south of Glasgow, Killochan Castle, near Girvan, Ayrshire, dates from the 14th century with additional 16th-century fortification. Late in the 18th century the Adam brothers added a classical wing and gatehouse. The castle has eight bedrooms and five bathrooms and has been refurbished. In its 55 acres of land there are a walled garden and stables. Also offered are another cottage with four bedrooms and 2.8 miles of salmon and seatrout fishing. Killochan Castle has survived many sieges but has not weathered the current recession so well. It was originally put on the market through Hamptons at £1.25 million in October 1991. Now, with all its contents, offers in excess of £800,000 are invited.

The recycled cottage

An architect left no stone unturned to complete his labour of love

Pound Cottage blends so perfectly with its 18th-century village setting that it is hard to believe it was built just eight years ago. The reason the two-bedroomed cottage looks so at home among its 200-year-old neighbours in Saltford, near Bristol, is that it was built almost entirely from recycled materials.

The cottage was built by Michael Decent, an architect, and his wife, Anne, re-using other people's cast-offs. They made such a good job that it has just been sold, after three weeks on the market, for a figure close to the £89,500 asking price.

Pieced together were Somerset clay pantiles for the roof, which came from old farm buildings in north Avon, and maple flooring for the tiny living room and kitchen from the gymnasium at RAF Lyneham, Wiltshire. Both were spotted in the "For Sale" columns of local newspapers.

A big stroke of luck came when the couple were tipped off that an old stone warehouse was being demolished in Bath, six miles away. The stone would probably have been scrapped if it had not become Pound Cottage. "The stone was dressed to a six-inch bed, which was just what we wanted," Mr Decent says.



Pound Cottage: eight years old and a perfect blend

"Even better, we think it came from the same stone quarry in Keynsham, near here, that the whole village was built from."

Unlike its elderly neighbours, the house has cavity walls, the inner skin being concrete blocks which have merely been painted white to form the interior finish downstairs, except for one living room wall which has been faced with stone.

The warm woodblock hall floor was rescued from an old church near Southampton, and the upstairs floors are 100-year-old reclaimed boards. Interior pine doors were bought from architectural reclamation shops for about £25 each.

Even the Ruabon tiles from a garden path which used to run where the kitchen now stands were re-used on kitchen work tops. The new path and patio are old local Bristol blue pennant stone, scrounged from various sources.

The couple originally bought the larger house next door, and extended into the large garden to accommodate three daughters and an elderly mother, when Mr Decent got a new job.

"Points of detail are important to me," Mr Decent says. "I looked at our house, and read about why and how it was built. I tried to respect the context. The pantiles are old, and therefore have the texture, look, and feel of a roof that's been there for a hundred years. When I applied for planning permission, I explained the external design would be contextual, which meant stone walls.

"It took three years to build, by which time we suddenly found we didn't need all the room, and it was possible to separate the extension by blocking up two doorways. We sold the other house, and moved into this one eight years ago."

Although Mrs Decent makes jokes about her "green house", the couple were motivated more by aesthetics and costs, than by environmental concerns. "We didn't intend to recreate an old house — this is a reinterpretation. It's a bit like re-inventing the wheel," Mr Decent says. "But I think this will be here in a hundred years time."

CHRISTINE WEBB

When a building cries help

Recession hits renovation work on houses in distress

The Landmark Trust is running out of money to restore its properties. The trust's aim is to "rescue buildings in distress, to revive them and give them a new life". Once that has been done, the properties are often let for holidays. But the recession, and the success of Third World charities, have made it more difficult to raise funds.

Rebecca Gordon, its spokesperson, says: "In the Eighties we bought a lot of properties which we would have restored quicker if we had more money. Consequently, there have been quite a few in our ownership which have sat untouched for many years.

"We used to do three or four a year. Then it increased to seven or eight, which has really strained our resources. There are six properties still outstanding, though work on three of these is in hand. The other three are scheduled for next year.

"Our criteria for the sort of property we might consider have changed and we are now looking at properties that are at great risk. We reckon that the ones which are at less risk can be dealt with by private individuals."

So until more money is forthcoming the trust stands temporarily still.

One new property will be available for weekend or weekly rentals from the end of this month: Lock Cottage in Worcesteshire is the first canal property the trust has bought. "It goes to show," Miss Gordon says, "that we don't just buy outlandish and unusual properties. This is a humble lock-keeper's cottage which reflects a way of life which has long gone."

Two other properties will be ready by July. Bromfield Priory Gatehouse, in Ludlow, Shropshire, sleeps five, is likely to be very popular as it is a well-known landmark in the area. Ascog House, on the Isle of Bute, sleeps up to nine people. It was restored and finished two years ago, when it caught fire. All the trust's work was ruined and it had to start again.

There is a large over-run garden at Ascog in which discoveries are still being made of hidden statues and ancient stone steps. When money and volunteers are available, it will be cleared up and opened to the public.

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Prize collection: thousands of medals await those who reached the finish at Westminster Bridge on Sunday

Bright Sparks will do it again

By Alix Ramsay

SINCE the London Marathon began in 1981, the hordes of well-meaning and, some say, insane, charity runners have raised nearly £50 million for good causes. On Sunday that figure was increased by £200,000 as more than 500 members of the Sparks (Sports Aiding Medical Research for children) team took to the streets to raise funds for medical research into childrens' diseases.

The 519 runners who made it to the starting line are also hoping to make it into the *Guinness Book of Records* as the largest single team to compete in a marathon. Whether they ever run again is another matter.

The actor, Ross Kemp, who plays Grant in *EastEnders*, has vowed that Sunday was his first and last marathon. He finished in 4hr 17min, "although I wasn't looking at the time when I crossed the line; I was just pleased to stop," he said. Kemp's character in the television soap opera is that of a former paratrooper who, in recent episodes, has been *languishing in prison*, which caused much merriment among other runners.

"I passed some policemen who reckoned Group 4 must have been looking after me," he said. "And I had a good laugh with the marines when I passed them, too."

After "hitting the wall" at 22 miles and being forced to walk part of the way, the crowd in The Mall lifted Kemp for the final challenge.

"The response is fantastic. The crowd usher you on your way," he said.

The Sparks team's dedication took the cause to extremes on Sunday. Wayne Collins postponed his honeymoon to compete in the race before leaving his bride yet *again to start training* as a police officer at Hendon.

Gary Rainbow opted to grab the attention and the generosity of the crowd by dressing up as a woman for his attempt.

A veteran of two London *races, his times have all been* around the three-hour mark but on Sunday he took 5hr 20min to complete the course, stopping all along the route to collect £102 in a plastic bucket and more than a few ribald comments in the process.

So impressed is he with the Sparks charity that he is determined to join the organisation and raise yet more money for them.

You may not have to be mad to run the marathon, but it helps. In November, Mike Rousel tried running for the first time at the age of 26, completing a three-mile fun run. Five months later he ran 26.2 miles wearing a teddy bear suit.

His efforts have raised £900 for Sparks so far but one of his biggest problems was getting a running vest big enough to fit over the costume. "It gets pretty hot in there," he said. "I had to take on board a lot of fluid *just to get round.*"

However, get round he did, in 4hr 18min, running the whole way. "If you stop in one of those suits you'll never get started again," he said.

Rousel is one of the converts to the toughest race in the world and he will be back next year, although maybe not dressed as a bear. "But I'll do something silly for sure," he said.

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Christmas present that opened new horizons

By MICHAEL COLEMAN

LEN Cousens's life has been transformed since his wife gave him a tracksuit one Christmas. He has progressed from non-runner to membership of that distinguished, though dwindling, group that has competed in every London Marathon.

On Sunday he strode through the thirteenth edition in the respectable time for a 50-year-old of 3hr 34min. His son, Lee, 23, running in his third London race, had preceded him with a personal best of 3hr 19min 37sec.

His wife, Maureen, a marathon-running convert herself, though sidelined this year because of injury, was waiting in Jubilee Gardens to congratulate her nearest and dearest after they had picked up their medals.

It was then time for tea in the Queen Elizabeth Hall where "Rupert's Runners", who are named after the bear and who compete to raise funds for the Muscular Dystrophy Group (MDG), are entertained each year.

Harry Carpenter was host and the family Cousens was able to swap race experiences with others of the 520 who ran this year with the same intent: to help MDG finance research and support sufferers. The London race generated £179,000 last year.

Tea over, they returned to their home in Tring, Hertfordshire, to recover and watch BBC coverage of the race.

"It's always disappointed me I've never seen Len finish the race," Maureen said.

She was referring to the fact that the grandstands on Westminster Bridge are confined to sponsors and guests and that first contact can be made only on the far side of the former County Hall in the Jubilee Gardens. "After all that training and preparation, you want to give them a hero's welcome and you can't," she said.

Len — his full names are Charles Leonard — was pleased with his time, 14 minutes faster than last year. "It was too windy, really blowing, all the way round," he said.

His wife had hailed him at 10 and 23 miles. It was his 28th marathon and he has taken part in triathlons as well.

"Running has really transformed our lives. We have hundreds of friends in different countries, after marathons in Berlin, New York, Paris and Barbados. The next one should be the mountain marathon from Interlaken in Switzerland where we go up the Jungfrau." It all started when, one Christmas, Maureen asked him what he wanted and he dared to suggest a tracksuit. After he put it on, his wife suggested he should go a step further and do some training. He did.

It went so well that, in 1977, he got round his first marathon, the Masters and Maidens in Guildford, in 3hr 40min.

By the time of the first London race, this had been cut to 3hr 10min. Like Eamonn Martin, however, he has a full-time job, driving a delivery truck. By 6.30am on Monday, he was out on the road, no doubt dreaming of the Jungfrau.

TIMES MARATHON CONTEST — DAY 3



Venice, city of dreams: ideal for a luxury weekend

Win a weekend for two in Venice

Here's another chance for readers to win a long, luxury weekend for two in Venice, courtesy of *The Times* and Barilla, one of the world's leading pasta manufacturers.

To win, all you have to do is answer correctly four marathon-based questions. The first two questions were printed in *The Times* on Monday and Tuesday. We print the third today and the fourth will appear tomorrow.

Barilla

The winner and a companion will fly Alitalia to Venice on Friday October 8 for a three-night stay at the three-star Bon Chiatti hotel, to coincide with the running of the Venice Marathon.

On arrival there will be a complimentary dinner for two with wine. On Saturday, after a guided sightseeing tour, you will be free to soak up the atmosphere of this beautiful city: shopping (for Venetian glass!) and maybe taking a canal trip in a gondola.

On Saturday evening, you will be guests at the Barilla Marathon Pasta Party. On Sunday, Venice is yours — and to watch the marathon. On Monday, there will be time to catch up on last-minute sightseeing and shopping before flying home in the evening.

Here is the third question:

Which marathon has the most participants?

A Paris

B New York

C London

If you know the answer to today's question, save it. Tomorrow, when we print the fourth and final question, you can phone in all your answers. The winner will be selected at random from the all-correct entries received. The editor's decision is final. Times competition rules apply, available on request.

Commodore Explorer beats challenge set by Verne's fictitious hero

Peyron proves more than a match for Fogg

BY BARRY PICKTHALL

BRUNO Peyron and his five-man Commodore Explorer crew looked set to sail into the record books last night as the first to sail around the world in under 80 days. Yesterday afternoon, their 85ft catamaran was within 40 miles of Ushant, the start and finish point of a remarkable adventure that began on January 31 with the challenge to beat the time set by Jules Verne's fictitious character, Phileas Fogg, a century ago.

Fogg used a hot-air balloon, trains, an elephant and ships, and only returned home on time after burning the wooden decking, superstructure and interior of the steamship he hijacked to cross the Atlantic.

Peyron's multihull has returned to French waters in a not too dissimilar state of disrepair after splitting her starboard hull off the Cape of Good Hope, weathering an extreme storm at Cape Horn and colliding with whales and driftwood during the past ten days.

Peter Blake and his co-skipper, Robin Knox-Johnston, set out a few hours ahead of the French but were forced to retire to Cape Town after their catamaran, ENZA New Zealand, was holed. Blake was first to pass on his congratulations.

"They have sailed very well. It has certainly not been easy and the fact that they have got round in a boat that was not even designed for this type of racing is remarkable." Oliver de Kersauson, a third competitor, also retired to the Cape after his trimaran, Charel, hit an iceberg.

Remarkable is an understatement. Before setting out from Brest, the 35-year-old French skipper did not believe that the record was achievable in these fast but fragile craft.

"This is just a ranging shot to give us the experience to attack the record in a much larger boat next winter," he said.

Returning to Ushant last night, more than 18 hours inside his 80-day target, Peyron's achievement can be gauged only against the previous record set by his fellow Frenchman, Titouan Lamazou, four years ago. Until yesterday, that record had stood at 109 days 8 hours 48 minutes.

Peyron's circumnavigation compares with the 226 days taken by Sir Francis Chichester in 1966-7 and the 117 days taken by Pierre Fehlmann and his UBS Switzerland crew when they won the Whitbread Round the World Race in 1985-6, the last time this classic took a direct route around the world.

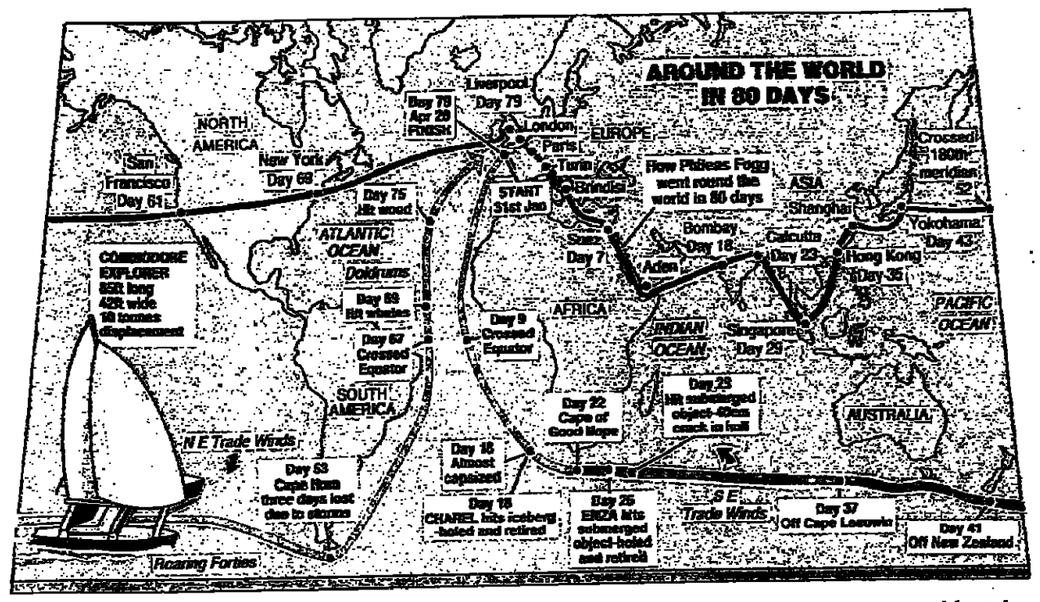
Peyron and his crew will share a Ffr1 million (£120,000) purse put up by a French bank for what they had hoped would have been a more enduring challenge.

The Jules Verne challenge organisers areanother group caught out by the speed at which this 80-day barrier has been broken. A trophy, designed by the American artist, Tom Shannon, is still at the drawing stage.

Lamazou, one of the trustees, who has just launched his own 143ft monohull, TAG Heuer, to attempt the record next winter, said yesterday: "Bruno Peyron has taken us a bit by surprise."

But then Phileas Fogg faced the same stunned disbelief when he returned home.

France's hero, page 10



Fairbrother refuses to take gamble

BY IVO TENNANT

THE PARKS (final day of three): Oxford University drew with Lancashire

ONCE Lancashire concerned themselves less with victory than with ensuring everyone was given something to do, the final session of what had hitherto been a contest was rendered an exercise for the statisticians. Oxford University did not come close to reaching their target, and they could not have been expected to do so.

To enable Lloyd to reach his century, Fairbrother delayed declaring until ten minutes after lunch, hence giving Oxford much the same scope for batting practice. To ask students to make 310 in 220 minutes, even on a bland pitch, is to ask too much.

That is not to decry Montgomerie's achievement in making his second half-century of the match. There has not been a more vigilant batsman here since Tavaré's day. He and Gupte, who took every advantage of the strange reluctance of county captains to deploy a third man these days, made 85 before tea, pleasantly enough, but in the circumstances it was not sufficient.

Given that there was some turn at both ends, Watkinson stuck to his slower style, which will prolong his career and, as he showed last season, win a match or two besides. Barnett, who had a lengthy spell at the other end, was notably accurate and took the first two wickets to fall.

In that every bowler had as much of a workout as desired, and that Lloyd made an agreeable century, Fairbrother presumably gained what he was after. But lest he is unsure of his history, he should be reminded that Lancashire have not been beaten in the Parks for many a year. He was not likely to lose face.

This was the first of what ought to be several centuries this season for Lloyd, who played perhaps the finest innings on England A's tour of Australia during the winter.

In that he returned home only three weeks ago, he hardly needed the extra practice or, to judge by what he achieved last year, the boost to his average. But that is how these matches are treated nowadays.

LANCASHIRE: First Innings: 309 for 4 dec (M A Atherton 107, N J Speak 87).

Second Innings

G D Mendis b Gallian	1
G D Lloyd not out	100
†W K Hegg c Lyons b Gallian	8
M Watkinson c Malik b Yeabsley	18
P A J DeFreitas c Lyons b Yeabsley	5
I D Austin lbw b Yeabsley	20
P J Martin b Malik	30
A A Barnett not out	11
Extras (b 1)	1
Total (6 wkts dec)	194

M A Atherton, *N H Fairbrother and N J Speak did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-11, 3-48, 4-68, 5-116, 6-188.

BOWLING: Jeh 10-3-51-0; Gallian 16-5-42-2; MacDonald 10-3-27-0; Malik 7.5-2-30-1; Yeabsley 12-2-30-3; MacMillan 3-0-13-0.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY: First Innings 194 (R R Montgomerie 65; P J Martin 4 for 42).

Second Innings

R R Montgomerie not out	75
C M Gupte c Atherton b Barnett	39
G I MacMillan lbw b Barnett	5
G B T Lovell c Hegg b Atherton	28
C L Keay not out	3
Extras (b 4, lb 1, w 1, nb 8)	14
Total (3 wkts)	184

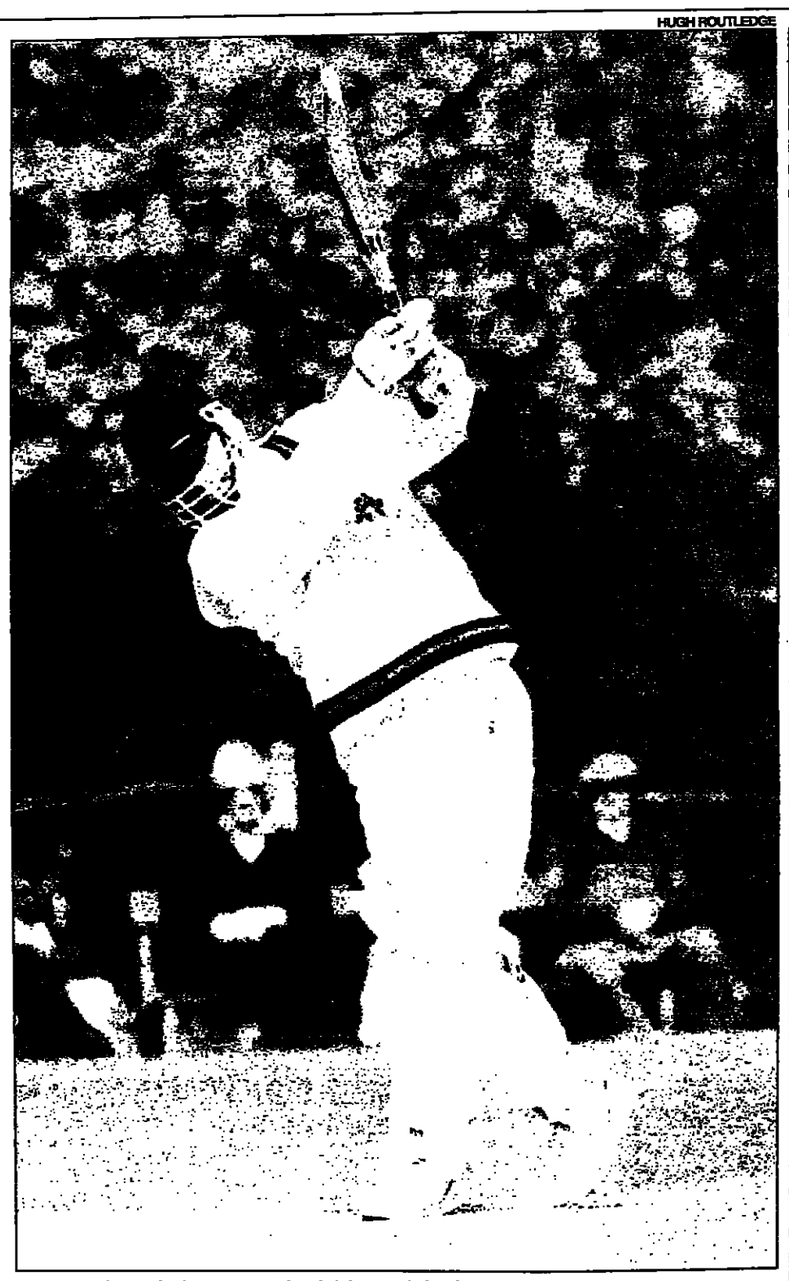
*J E R Gallian, H S Malik, †C Lyons, R S Yeabsley, M P W Jeh and R H MacDonald did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-85, 2-101, 3-148.

BOWLING: DeFreitas 8-1-21-0, Martin 5-1-11-0; Austin 6-1-36-0; Barnett 19-4-40-2; Watkinson 16-2-43-0; Atherton 5-0-8-1.

Umpires: M J Kitchen and P Willey.

HUGH ROUTLEDGE



Through the covers: Lloyd drives Jeh for four on his way to a century

Jansher's British title earns respect

BY COLIN MCQUILLAN

JANSHER Khan's second successive British open squash title has finally elevated him towards the level of esteem enjoyed in Pakistan by his predecessor, Jahangir Khan.

A national hero with a millionaire lifestyle and a face that adorns postage stamps in his country, Jahangir was this year back at the scene of his ten titles, as a guest.

His only active interest was to offer a few inspiring words to Zarak Jahan, which helped to lift him to a quarter-final victory over Simon Parke.

Jansher, left to his own devices, beat Chris Dittmar, of Australia, 9-6, 9-5, 6-9, 9-2, in a 76-minute final.

This followed Michelle Martin's 39-minute 9-7, 9-0, 9-4 win over Suzanne Horner, of Yorkshire, in the women's final. Martin, 25, from Sydney, made a glamorous study in form-fitting pink on the green and blue show court.

Jansher was an altogether more rakish figure, piratical in his long shorts and flapping headband, and prepared to suggest for the first time that this second British open win might secure him establishment credibility at home.

"The British title is the one that counts in Pakistan," he said. "I am world champion and world No. 1, but I have to be British open champion to approach Jahangir's reputation."

However, Jansher's early challenge to Jahangir's seniority and esteem is unlikely to be completely forgiven. As a 17-year-old he took the world junior title from the Australians in 1986 and announced his intention of unseating the undefeated and respected Jahangir.

In Hong Kong, a year later, he did precisely that and from there he harried the greatest player in the game through five years to achieve a final reckoning of 18 wins each in tournament play. In one Pakistani Open, the crowd booed Jansher's winning shot.

He admitted on Monday that 11 successive British Open wins would be a tall order but still fired one more taunt at his predecessor. "I am a tall player," he warned.

Pakistan's problems grow as Mushtaq and Aqib drop out

FROM JOHN WOODCOCK
IN PORT-OF-SPAIN, TRINIDAD

ONE Test match down with only two to play, the Pakistanis are in trouble. But that is not all. The next Test is at Bridgetown, where West Indies have not been beaten since January 1935, and, of Pakistan's main bowlers, Aqib Javed and Mushtaq Ahmed are both heading for England for treatment to their injured backs.

The greater loss is Mushtaq, whose 15 victims in the Test matches in England last summer included Robin Smith (three times), Gooch (twice), Ramprakash (twice), Hick, Lamb, Stewart and Lewis. Had he been fit and confident, the pitch at the Kensington Oval in Bridgetown, with more bounce in it than most, should have suited him. However, he has become an increasingly forlorn figure on this tour, giving the impression since the opening match, against Jamaica, in which he bowled 54 enjoyable overs and took eight wickets, of being happier off the field than on it.

No specialist that Mushtaq has seen has been able to find anything seriously wrong with his back, but it was no good keeping him here as a reluctant participant. There were times during the career of Abdul Qadir, Mushtaq's predecessor in the Pakistan side, when he, too, was inclined to stall. But Qadir, unlike Mustaq, was a genius, and genius may be excused.

There is talk of the Pakistanis sending for Tauseef Ahmed, an off-spinner from Karachi who played the last of his 33 Test matches in 1990, but, even if they do, he could hardly be available to play before the third and last Test, which starts in Antigua on Saturday week. They will almost certainly have to make do with those bowlers they have here.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Turkey banned from playing in Izmir

TURKEY have been banned from playing international football matches in Izmir for six months after serious crowd trouble during their World Cup qualifying match against England last month, when players and supporters were pelted with missiles. Fifa, the sport's world governing body, handed out a similar ban to Egypt playing in Cairo as punishment for crowd disturbances during their World Cup tie against Zimbabwe in February, when two players were injured by stones thrown from the crowd.

Turkey and Egypt were also fined $13,700 (about £9,000) and the suspensions came into effect on April 16, when Fifa's disciplinary committee made its decision. Turkey will be free to play their last two World Cup group games in Izmir, against Poland in late October and Norway in November.

England had complained that players, officials and supporters came under attack from a barrage of missiles thrown from the Turkish crowd during their 2-0 victory in their European group two qualifier at the Ataturk stadium on March 31.

Montana may move

AMERICAN FOOTBALL: The veteran quarterback, Joe Montana, is adamant that he is to leave the San Francisco 49ers, the team he has led to four Super Bowl victories. Montana, one of the best quarterbacks the National Football League has seen, wants to join the Kansas City Chiefs, despite a last-ditch offer by the 49ers to make him their starting quarterback for the summer training camp.

"It is in my best interest and that of my family to play for the Kansas City Chiefs," Montana, 36, said. His future at the 49ers has been uncertain since the end of the 1992 season. Steve Young, the replacement for Montana who was injured for most of the past two years, received the NFL's most-valuable player award last season while Montana played in only the last game of the regular season.

Merriweather's turn

YACHTING: Richard Merriweather and his crew on Commercial Union stole a nine-mile march on their leading rivals in the British Steel Challenge yesterday, to become the fourth to take up the front running on this final stage back to Southampton in as many days. In the overall reckoning, two miles were all that separated Mike Golding's Group 4 Securitas and Nuclear Electric yesterday, while Hofbrau Lager, the third placed yacht, was back in last place.

LEADING POSITIONS (at 15:00 GMT yesterday, with miles to Southampton): 1, Commercial Union (R Merriweather), 5,336 miles; 2, Group 4 Securitas (M Golding), 5,344; 3 equal, Nuclear Electric (J Chittenden) and Pride of Teesside (I MacGillivray), 5,356; 5 equal, Coopers & Lybrand (V Cheny) and Rhone-Poulenc (P Phillips), 5,357; 7, British Steel II (R Tudor) 5,375; 8 equal, Heath Insured (A Donovan) and Interspray (P Jeffes), 5,376; 10, Hofbrau Lager (P Goss), 5,377

Hand leads awards

ICE HOCKEY: The 1992-3 British all-star teams reflect the success of Cardiff Devils and Murrayfield Racers in the premier division of the Heineken League and Basingstoke Beavers in the first division. Chris Palmer and Tony Hand, of Murrayfield, with Stephen Cooper and Hilton Ruggles, of Cardiff, are included in the premier division team, while five of the six players named in the first division team are from Basingstoke. Hand, the first British player to be the premier division's leading scorer, is player of the year. Cooper wins the Alan Weeks Trophy as best British defenceman for the fourth successive year and Damian Smith, of Durham Wasps, is young British player of the year.

McHugh backs change

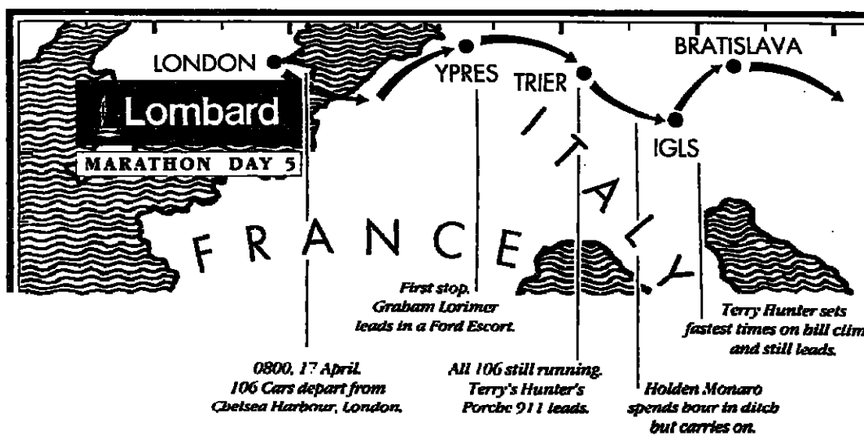
CYCLING: Paul McHugh, Britain's professional sprint champion, yesterday welcomed the news that this year's national track titles at Leicester will be open. The decision of the British Cycling Federation to merge the senior amateur and professional championships for the first time will reduce the programme from 15 to ten finals between July 24 and 31. McHugh, 25, has won the professional sprint title for the last four years. He said: "I suggested two years ago that the sprint title should be made open; there were too few specialist professionals really to merit a championship but a lot of thrusting young amateurs coming along to help make it a better series."

Sports village plan

RUGBY UNION: Newcastle Gosforth, who are almost certain to be promoted to the first division of the Courage Clubs Championship, may soon have a significant development near their Kingston Park ground (David Hands writes). Plans, subject to the approval of Newcastle city council, have been drawn up by a local developer, in conjunction with Northumbria University, to establish a sports village on the Bullocksteads ground adjacent to Kingston Park. At the same time, Newcastle Gosforth hope to build a second stand and terracing that would increase their capacity to 10,000 and improve their chances of attracting representative matches.

Wigan injury list grows

RUGBY LEAGUE: Wigan have a growing list of injuries and doubtful starters for their meeting against Widnes in the Silk Cut Challenge Cup final on Saturday week, so much so that memories of their defeat of St Helens in the final two years ago — when John Monie, the coach, declared the team doctor man of the match for holding the side together — are flooding back at Central Park. Yesterday, Billy McGinty, the Great Britain second row forward, broke down during a fitness test and, since he now requires surgery on his left knee, will definitely miss the final. Frano Botica (broken thumb), Andy Platt (knee), Phil Clarke (back) Kelvin Skerrett (knee) and Joe Lydon (calf) are also among the doubts.



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Maguire given whip warning

By Richard Evans, Racing Correspondent

ADRIAN Maguire, the outstanding young National Hunt rider, must curb his eye-catching and sometimes offensive whip action if he is to avoid the wrath of the Jockey Club. The warning came yesterday as Anthony Mildmay-White, chairman of the Jockey Club's disciplinary committee, presided over a seminar at Ascot into the tougher whip rules which come into force on July 5.

Maguire, who misses the Whitbread Gold Cup at Sandown on Saturday and next week's Punchestown festival because of a seven-day whip ban, featured repeatedly in films highlighting the misuse or improper use of the whip.

The "Golden Child," as he is known in the weighing room, is favourite to take over from the retired Peter Scudamore as Martin Pipe's stable jockey. Mildmay-White said: "We don't have a vendetta against Adrian Maguire. What we don't like is the way the whip is often used by him. He is going to have to learn to change his style."

Maguire's winning ride on Sibton Abbey in the Hennessy Gold Cup came in for particular criticism from Jockey Club stewards and officials. His "offensive" and "aggressive" style, involving repeatedly "slashing" the horse with his high-arm whip action, was contrasted to the "inoffensive and quiet" use of the whip by riders such as Mark Dwyer and Declan Murphy.

The new whip rules follow growing public concern and criticism from animal welfare groups about the use of the whip by jockeys. The RSPCA came close to prosecuting Maguire after his winning ride on Cool Ground in the 1992 Cheltenham Gold Cup. The changes introduced by the Jockey Club, following a working party report, are aimed at protecting the welfare of the horse and enhancing the public image of racing.

Nigel Macfarlane, secretary to the disciplinary committee, explained: "This marks a sea change in attitude towards the use of the whip. In the past the objective of rules and instructions relating to this area concentrated on good riding and correct use, but in a climate of increasing public concern about animal welfare, it was decided that this is simply not enough.

"Racing must not be perceived as the only sport which condones thrashing its athletes it if wishes to retain the goodwill of its followers."

The philosophy of the new rules is that the whip is to be used by jockeys for safety, correcting a horse and encouragement only. "Encouragement does not mean using the whip in anger or desperation," Mildmay-White said.

Penalties for jockeys who breach the rules have been made more flexible but will ensure "persistent offenders will progress rapidly to Portman Square." Stewards will be able to hold an enquiry if a jockey uses his whip six or more times on a horse.

The Jockey Club has also decided, on a trial basis, to adopt the Irish system of requiring trainers to report reasons for a horse's disappointing racecourse performance.

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: Pontoon Bridge (3.00 Cheltenham)
Next best: Deb's Ball (3.20 Catterick)



Maguire: whip style criticised by Jockey Club

CHELTENHAM

THUNDERER
1.50 Land Afar. 2.25 Le Piccolage. 3.00 Fotoexpress. 3.35 Katabatic. 4.05 Copper Mine. 4.35 Hurricane Blake. 5.05 ROSGILL (nap).

Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.00 ASK THE GOVERNOR.

GOING: GOOD SIS

1.50 EVESHAM CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS NOVICES HURDLE (£3,210: 2m 1f) (15 runners)

101 3318 DUKE OF APROLON 21 (G) (The Turf Club) J Gifford 6-11-8 P Hide 70
102 B23113 ELEGANT FRIEND 9 (BF,G,S) (Tompkins Racing) M Tompkins 5-11-8 P Smith Eccles (3) 72
103 2/50113 LAND AFAR 20 (G,S) (T Ford) J Webber 6-11-8 W Marston [illegible]
104 P20312 MINE'S AN ACE 28 (BF,F,S) (D Barons) D Barons 6-11-8 NON-RUNNER –
105 P0 FATHER FORTUNE 83 (R Holt) O Sherwood 5-11-0 J McCarthy –
106 52R-44 IL BAMBINO 11 (H Manners) H Manners 5-11-0 D Leahy 60
107 60-0 JUMPING JUDGE 105 (Mrs P Starkey) T Thomson Jones 6-11-0 D Geoghegan –
108 00-2350 KATIE'S JOKER 64 (J Russell) O O'Neill 7-11-0 V Slattery 68
109 0 MISTER CHIPPENDALE 140 (D Watson) C Smith 6-11-0 S D Williams –
110 3-26325 PANDY 47 (C Noble) G Thorner 7-11-0 R Farrant 72
111 36P ROSS GRAHAM 25 (C Hansberry/A Wilton) Mrs B Waring 5-11-0 D Bentley 85
112 0/3FPP THE FLYING FOOTMAN 21 (Mrs J West) D Nicholson 7-11-0 R Massey (3) –
113 30-443 TUDOR FABLE 40 (J Collins) N Henderson 5-11-0 Pat Thompson (3) 65
114 U242F5 MAMALAMA 6 (J Bridger) J Bridger 5-10-9 Rachel Bridger (3) 66
115 000 PEACEFUL POLLY 126 (Miss L Rochford) M Tate 5-10-9 D Salter –

BETTING: 10-11 Land Afar, 3-1 Duke Of Aprolon, 9-2 Elegant Friend, 7-1 Tudor Fable, 12-1 others.

1992: MISS BOBBY BENNETT 5-11-3 M Foster (5-2) M Pipe 14 ran

FORM FOCUS

DUKE OF APROLON beat The Mine Captain 6l in a 10-runner novice hurdle at Sandown on penultimate start (2m 110yd, good). ELEGANT FRIEND 6l 3rd of 7 to Joli's Great in a novice handicap hurdle at Fakenham (2m 110yd, good). LAND AFAR ¾l 3rd of 9 to Roll A Dollar a the grade II novice hurdle at Aintree (2m 110yd, good to firm). PANDY 4l 2nd of 15 to Easthorpe in a novice hurdle at Wolverhampton in February (2m 110yd, good).
Selection: LAND AFAR

2.25 MITSUBISHI SHOGUN GOLDEN MILLER TROPHY HANDICAP CHASE (£8,740: 3m 2f 110yd) (6 runners) BBC2

201 02330F COOL GROUND 9 (CD,G,S) (Whitcombe Manor Racing) G Balding 11-12-0 A Maguire 98
202 FF-2212 LE PICCOLAGE 114 (BF,F,G,S) (Lord Mostyn) N Henderson 9-10-0 R Dunwoody 95
203 F33613 ROCKTOR 19 (F,G,S) (Mrs G Watkinson-Yull) D Barons 8-10-0 J Frost 97
204 2221U1 PLASTIC SPACEAGE 9 (G,S) (Spaceage Plastics Ltd) J Old 10-10-0 T Grantham [illegible]
205 65P55-1 GALA'S IMAGE 9 (CD,F,G,S) (B Thackray) J McConnochie 13-10-0 S McNeill 79
206 242233 SUNBEAM TALBOT 18 (C,G,S) (Mrs R Legoni) A Jones 12-10-0 G Upton 86

Long handicap: Le Piccolage 9-9, Rocktor 9-8, Plastic Spaceage 9-7, Gala's Image 8-13, Sunbeam Talbot 8-10.

BETTING: 7-4 Cool Ground, 5-2 Le Piccolage, 4-1 Plastic Spaceage, 5-1 Rocktor, 7-1 Gala's Image, 12-1 Sunbeam Talbot.

1992: TOPSHAM BAY 9-11-5 H Davies (11-2) D Barons 6 ran

FORM FOCUS

COOL GROUND 33l 9th of 16 to Jodami in the grade I Tote Gold Cup over course and distance on penultimate start (good to firm). LE PICCOLAGE neck 2nd of 9 to Zeta's Lad in a handicap chase at Kempton (3m, good to soft). ROCKTOR 7l 3rd of 11 to Black Humour in a handicap chase at Aintree (3m 1f, firm). PLASTIC SPACEAGE beat Direct 4l in a 5-runner handicap chase at Chepstow (3m, soft). GALA'S IMAGE beat Cool And Easy a short head in a 10-runner handicap chase at Wincanton (3m 1f 110yd, good).
Selection: LE PICCOLAGE

3.00 EBF NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE FINAL (Grade III: £14,900: 2m 1f) (18 runners) BBC2

301 532F16 THE GLOW 14 (G) (Mrs T Brown) D Elsworth 5-11-10 A Procter (5) 85
302 011141 FOTOEXPRESS 9 (G,S) (Fotoexpress Partnership) R Rowe 5-11-9 Mr C Burnett-Wells (5) 87
303 2-F311 LE METAYER 9 (G,S) (A Solomons) K Bailey 5-11-7 J Railton 90
304 18431 POORS WOOD 42 (G,S) (A Weller) J Gifford 6-11-4 D Murphy 80
305 151311 AMTRAK EXPRESS 41 (C,F,G,S) (Amtrak Express Ltd) N Henderson 6-11-4 R Dunwoody 90
306 30431 SWAHILI RUN 28 (F) (Gallagher Enterprises Ltd) M Pipe 5-11-3 M Foster 80
307 128113 JAMES THE FIRST 33 (BF,F,S) (D Nichols) P Nicholls 5-11-3 M A Fitzgerald 87
308 232 BENJAMIN 77 (BF) (A Schiff) N Gaselee 5-10-11 C Llewellyn 80
309 23-211 GOLDINGO 9 (D,S) (G Price) G Price 6-10-9 R Davis (5) 86
310 F31631 NORTHERN SADDLER 21 (F,G,S) (R Evans) R Hodges 6-10-9 W Irvine 88
311 1031 PONTOON BRIDGE 39 (F,S) (Sir Eric Parker) G Harwood 6-10-8 M Perrett 89
312 155421 ASK THE GOVERNOR 9 (G,S) (Highflyers) G Balding 7-10-8 A Maguire [illegible]
313 10-2123 CHUCK CURLEY 21 (BF,F,S) (P Byrne) B Curley 5-10-8 E Murphy 88
314 3-55311 FULL O'PRAISE 30 (F,G) (Lord Zetland) P Calver 6-10-7 C Grant 94
315 2031F6 COUNTRY LAD 21 (CD,S) (Mrs R Pattison) Mrs S Williams 5-10-7 S McNeill 85
316 1422 MUNKA 28 (BF,S) (Capt E Edwards-Heathcote) P Hobbs 7-10-4 Peter Hobbs 87
317 5/4-3023 MARTRAJAN 32 (BF) (Mrs J Chambers) Mrs J Pitman 6-10-0 B de Haan 84
318 112323 THE MINE CAPTAIN 29 (G Evans) F O'Mahony 6-10-0 R Farrant (5) 91

Long handicap: The Mine Captain 9-12.

BETTING: 7-1 Ask The Governor, Chuck Curley, Le Metayer, 10-1 Amtrak Express, Munka, Poors Wood, 12-1 Northern Saddler, 14-1 Fotoexpress, Pontoon Bridge, 16-1 Full O'Praise, James The First, 20-1 others.

1992: CURRENT EXPRESS 5-12-0 R Dunwoody (6-1) N Henderson 13 ran

FORM FOCUS

THE GLOW beat Rooans Glen 1l in a 15-runner novice hurdle at Ascot on penultimate start (2m 4f, good). FOTOEXPRESS beat Menebuck 1l in a 10-runner handicap hurdle at Plumpton (2m 4f, soft). LE METAYER beat Brave Highlander 12l in an 8-runner novice hurdle at Wincanton (2m, good). POORS WOOD beat Thuhool 12l in a 6-runner novice hurdle at Folkestone (2m 1f 110yd, good). AMTRAK EXPRESS beat MARTRAJAN (8lb better off) 12l in an 11-runner novice hurdle at Wincanton (2m, good to firm), with NORTHERN SADDLER (9lb better off) 42l 6th. SWAHILI RUN beat MUNKA (23lb better off) 12l in a 7-runner novice hurdle at Exeter (2m 2f, good to firm), with NORTHERN SADDLER (18lb better off) 1½l 3rd. JAMES THE FIRST beat Sunset Rock 1l in a 7-runner novice handicap hurdle at Haydock on penultimate start (2m, good to soft). GOLDINGO beat Festiril 5l in an 8-runner novice hurdle at Hereford (2m 1f, heavy).
NORTHERN SADDLER beat Cambo neck in a 9-runner novice handicap hurdle at Ascot (2m 110yd, soft), with CHUCK CURLEY (3lb better off) 2l 3rd and COUNTRY LAD (11lb better off) 21l 6th. PONTOON BRIDGE beat Sparkling Sunset 1½l in a 4-runner novice hurdle at Sandown (2m 110yd, firm). ASK THE GOVERNOR beat Wise Customer 10l in a 15-runner handicap hurdle at Wincanton (2m 6f, good). FULL O'PRAISE beat Spanish Fair a neck in an 11-runner novice hurdle at Newcastle (2m 110yd, firm).
Selection: AMTRAK EXPRESS

3.35 S W SHOWERS SILVER TROPHY CHASE (Grade II: £15,550: 2m 5f) (4 runners) BBC2

401 411353 GOLD OPTIONS 19 (B,F,G,S) (J McCaghy) Jimmy Fitzgerald 11-11-7 M Dwyer 83
402 121223 KATABATIC 35 (C,BF,F,G,S) (Pell-mell Partners) A Turnell 10-11-7 S McNeill [illegible]
403 2-3U124 BEECH ROAD 87 (C,F,G,S) (T Geake) G Balding 11-11-0 J Frost 89
404 222201 CALAPAEZ 21 (C,F,G,S) (Mrs M Caine) Miss B Sanders 9-11-0 A Maguire 81

BETTING: 8-11 Katabatic, 15-8 Gold Options, 4-1 Beech Road, 10-1 Calapaez.

1992: KATABATIC 9-11-4 L Harvey (8-13 fav) A Turnell 4 ran

FORM FOCUS

GOLD OPTIONS 8l 3rd of 4 to Deep Sensation in the grade I Mumm Melling Chase at Aintree (2m 4f, firm). Previously, beat KATABATIC 3l in the 5-runner grade I Mitsubishi Newton Chase at Haydock in January (2m 4f, soft).
KATABATIC 24l 3rd of 9 to Deep Sensation in the grade I Queen Mother Champion Chase here (2m, good to firm). BEECH ROAD 12l 2nd of 7 to Ryde Again in a handicap chase over course and distance on penultimate start (soft).
CALAPAEZ beat Strong Approach 2½l in a 6-runner handicap chase at Ascot (2m 3f 110yd, good to soft).
Selection: KATABATIC

4.05 GLOUCESTERSHIRE COUNTY CRICKET CLUB NOVICES CHASE (£5,117: 2m 5f) (7 runners)

501 2321S1 GRANGE BRAKE 14 (B,F,G,S) (Mrs J Mould) N Twiston-Davies 7-11-11 C Llewellyn 92
502 234111 COPPER MINE 26 (F,G,S) (J Dougall) O Sherwood 7-11-8 J Osborne 85
503 132052 LAKE TEEREEN 32 (F,G,S) (Mrs A Grantham) R Rowe 8-11-8 T Grantham [illegible]
504 433611 MR JAMBOREE 22 (F,G) (Mrs D Lousada) J Gifford 7-11-8 D Murphy 97
505 6V1312 NEVADA GOLD 14 (F,G,S) (Mailsword Ltd) F Yardley 7-11-8 D Gallagher 92
506 2211B1 THATCHER ROCK 9 (F,G,S) (M Disney) P Nicholls 8-11-8 M A Fitzgerald 92
507 144436 RAGLAN ROAD 19 (F,G) (Mrs N Dutfield) Mrs P Dutfield 9-11-4 P Holley 83

BETTING: 11-4 Mr Jamboree, 7-2 Grange Brake, Nevada Gold, 11-2 Copper Mine, Thatcher Rock, 7-1 Lake Teereen, 16-1 Raglan Road.

1992: BEECH ROAD 10-11-8 R Guest (15-8 fav) G Balding 6 ran

FORM FOCUS

GRANGE BRAKE beat NEVADA GOLD (2lb better off) 2½l in a 13-runner novice handicap chase at Ascot (2m 3f 110yd, soft), with THATCHER ROCK (2lb better off) brought down 11th. COPPER MINE beat Ambrose 3½l in a 3-runner novice chase at Newbury (2m 4f, firm).
LAKE TEEREEN 8l 2nd of 7 to General Pershing in a handicap chase at Uttoxeter (2m 5f, good). MR JAMBOREE beat Wick Pound 3½l in a 4-runner novice chase at Sandown (2m 4f 110yd, good to firm). THATCHER ROCK beat Playpen 10l in a 3-runner handicap chase at Newton Abbot (2m 5f, soft).
Selection: NEVADA GOLD

4.35 GEORGE DULLER HANDICAP HURDLE (£5,617: 3m 110yd) (13 runners)

601 4P/F620 JUDGES FANCY 78 (G,S) (J de C Scott) N Twiston-Davies 9-11-10 C Llewellyn 91
602 F341PP STUPID CUPID 21 (F,G) (D Elbogham) R Rowe 9-11-8 Mr C Burnett-Wells (5) 8-
603 F46P50 PETTY BRIDGE 36 (CD,F,G,S) (C Booston) A James 9-11-7 R Bellamy 91
604 330210 TOP JAVALIN 14 (S) (Mrs J Reip) D Barons 6-11-4 R Davis (5) [illegible]
605 32-6033 PASHTO 20 (S) (R Tooth) N Henderson 6-11-3 J Kavanagh 90
606 535-460 PREMIER PRINCESS 189 (F,G) (D Drury) G Ham 7-11-2 C Maude 85
607 0-R00PP RAWHIDE 62 (B,S) (Mrs J Retter) Mrs J Retter 9-11-0 M A Fitzgerald –
608 1-12231 HURRICANE BLAKE 40 (B,F,G) (P Rylands) D Gresell 5-10-11 J Railton 94
609 124021 METAL OISEAU 9 (B,G,S) (F Ivory) J Moore 5-10-9 A Charlton 98
610 313220 SEA BUCK 9 (G,S) (C Buckle) G Balding 7-10-7 A Maguire 89
611 1-00042 ACROW LINE 9 (S) (R Thomas Williams) D Burchell 8-10-6 D J Burchell 97
612 242525 MANENDA 36 (G) (Mrs C Smith) D Nicholson 6-10-4 R Dunwoody 92
613 16-1F33 WICKET 9 (S) (Mrs J Wilkinson) M Wilkinson 8-10-0 P Ward (7) 81

Long handicap: Wicket 9-6.

BETTING: 3-1 Metal Oiseau, 4-1 Hurricane Blake, 11-2 Acrow Line, Pashto, Top Javalin, 8-1 Judges Fancy, 10-1 Sea Buck, 14-1 Manenda, Petty Bridge, 20-1 others.

1992: PETTY BRIDGE 8-10-0 R Bellamy (5-1) A James 12 ran

FORM FOCUS

JUDGES FANCY 7l 2nd of 9 to Gris Et Violet in a handicap hurdle at Newcastle (2m 4f, soft). TOP JAVALIN beat Glebelands Girl 12l in a 15-runner handicap hurdle at Worcester (3m, soft). HURRICANE BLAKE 1½l 2nd of 10 to Simpson in a handicap hurdle at Newbury in February (3m 110yd, good).
METAL OISEAU 1½l 2nd of 13 to Andrew's First in a handicap hurdle at Aintree (3m 110yd, good to firm), with PASHTO (6lb worse off) 2l 3rd. SEA BUCK 2l 2nd of 12 to Montagnard in a handicap hurdle at Uttoxeter (3m 110yd, good), with PASHTO (1lb better off) 1½l 3rd. ACROW LINE 4l 2nd of 10 to Snowy Lane in a handicap hurdle at Chepstow (3m, soft), with SEA BUCK (same terms) 35l 7th. Previously 7½l 4th of 22 to Fissure Seal in a valuable handicap hurdle here (3m 2f, good to firm), with MANENDA (3lb better off) ½l 5th and PETTY BRIDGE tailed off 18th.
Selection: HURRICANE BLAKE

5.05 OXENTON HANDICAP HURDLE (£3,184: 2m 1f) (14 runners)

1 F481/5 NAHAR 9 (G) (R Cross) S Dow 8-12-0 A Dicken (5) –
2 111/054 PARDON ME SIR 9 (F,G,S) (M Hunby) M Hunby 9-11-7 S Hodgson –
3 210-230 GALAXY HIGH 67 (G,S) (N Coulson-Stevens) N Henderson 6-11-6 R Dunwoody 91
4 164404 DERAB 9 (B,G,S) (Mrs E Brown) S Sherwood 7-11-4 J Osborne 97
5 242143 SABAKI RIVER 14 (C,G,S) (Mrs A Stuart) Mrs J Retter 9-11-0 M A Fitzgerald 95
6 1143-42 BARGE BOY 48 (F,G) (C House) J Old 9-10-13 T Grantham 91
7 40P-614 DOC'S COAT 14 (F,S) (M Keating) C Wildman 8-10-13 D Gallagher [illegible]
8 320341 ROSGILL 8F (F) (Brigadier Racing) M Tompkins 7-10-11 D Murphy 94
9 41-2611 DEXTRA DOVE 9 (F,G,S) (Dexta Lighting Systems) P Hobbs 6-10-9 (5ex) S Earle 93
10 580613 GLENSHANE LAD 9 (F,G) (Mrs H Dalley) K Bailey 7-10-5 J Railton 96
11 25U-550 KAHER 106 (BF,F,G) (F Mills) N Twiston-Davies 6-10-1 C Llewellyn 96
12 3PPF8P MAGNUS PYM 11 (G,S) (R Standbridge) G Balding 8-10-0 A Maguire 80
13 110501 PUNCHBAG 11 (S) (H & H Racing) G Ham 7-10-0 R Davis (5) 90
14 0-00103 SECRET LIASON 105 (G) (P Ward) K Bridgwater 7-10-0 D Bridgwater 78

Long handicap: Magnus Pym 9-6, Punchbag 9-2, Secret Liason 8-12.

BETTING: 7-2 Rosgill, 5-1 Barge Boy, Sabaki River, 6-1 Doc's Coat, 8-1 Derab, Dextra Dove, 10-1 Galaxy High, Glenshane Lad, Kaher, 16-1 others.

1992: FIVE LAMPS 12-9-10 D Meredith (8-1) R Dickin 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

GALAXY HIGH 5l 2nd of 11 to Hawthorn Blaze in a handicap hurdle over course and distance (soft). SABAKI RIVER 6¼l 3rd of 14 to Dancing Paddy in a handicap hurdle at Ascot (2m 110yd, heavy), with DOC'S COAT (2lb better off) 4l 4th.
BARGE BOY 10¼l 4th of 8 to Mighty Mogul in a handicap hurdle at Newbury in October (2m 110yd, good).
DOC'S COAT beat Flakey Dove 5l in a 7-runner limited handicap hurdle at Ascot on penultimate start (2m 110yd, soft), with PARDON ME SIR (8lb worse off) 28l 5th.
ROSGILL beat Child Of The Mist a head in an 8-runner handicap hurdle at Newbury last time out (2m 110yd, firm), with SABAKI RIVER (same terms) 2½l 3rd.
DEXTRA DOVE beat Easy Buck 5l in a 6-runner handicap hurdle at Chepstow (2m 110yd, soft), with PARDON ME SIR (5lb better off) a distance 4th and NAHAR (same terms) 4l 5th.
KAHER around 2l 5th of 11 to Noble Insight in a handicap hurdle at Kempton on penultimate start (2m, good to soft).
Selection: KAHER (nap)

TODAY'S RACES ON TELEVISION

CHELTENHAM
BBC2

2.25: Cool Ground is the only runner on his true handicap rating, but the former Gold Cup winner looks worth opposing. Rocktor was third to Black Humour and Sikera Spy at Aintree, form boosted by the second's win last Saturday. However, **Le Piccolage's** second to the much-improved Zeta's Lad at Kempton in December reads particularly well and he has proved capable of winning after an absence.

3.00: A highly competitive race in which few can be dismissed readily. Northern Saddler and Chuck Curley are closely handicapped on Ascot running last time, while Amtrak Express has twice been a wide-margin winner at Wincanton. Ask The Governor was impressive when winning at Wincanton last time, but preference is for **Full O'Praise**. His last two wins have been narrowly gained but he may have something in hand of the handicapper.

3.35: Although **Katabatic** has not run to his best form this season he can land this race for the second successive year. He was less than three lengths third to Deep Sensation in the Champion Chase here last month and a reproduction of that run would give him a clear chance. *Gold Options was eight lengths behind Deep Sensation at Aintree, on which form he has something to find with Katabatic.*

George Rae

CHELTENHAM SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: K Bailey, 12 winners from 42 rides, 28.6%; Miss B Sanders, 3 from 11, 27.3%; T Thomson Jones, 4 from 16, 25.0%; D Nicholson, 37 from 166, 22.3%; S Sherwood, 4 from 19, 21.1%; M Pipe, 59 from 282, 20.9%.

JOCKEYS: M Foster, 6 winners from 26 rides, 23.1%; R Dunwoody, 48 from 245, 19.6%; Peter Hobbs, 10 from 65, 15.4%; J Frost, 13 from 85, 15.3%, M Perrett, 7 from 53, 13.2%. A Maguire, 8 from 62, 12.9%.

TODAY'S POINT-TO-POINT MEETING: Tiverton, Hockworthy, 8 miles west of Wellington (first race 2.0).

PERTH

THUNDERER
3.15 Hazel Leaf. 3.45 Polar Region. 4.15 Persuasive. 4.45 Operation Wolf. 5.15 Elite Leo. 5.45 Midland Lad.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT (SOFT IN PLACES) SIS

3.15 PARTY HAS STARTED MAIDEN HURDLE (£2,276: 2m 4f 110yd) (16 runners)

1 46-4 ADDINGTON LAD 9 G Richards 8-11-7 N Doughty
2 0303 ASTINGS 11 Jimmy Fitzgerald 5-11-7 D Byrne
3 6043 COQUI LANE 28 G Dun 6-11-7 Mr J M Dun
4 0-00 DON'T TELL JUDY 39 A Wight 5-11-7 S Lyons (5)
5 5300 FOUR DEEP 47 J Johnson 5-11-7 A Orkney
6 0064 HONEST FRED 64 (V) J Edwards 7-11-7 N Williamson
7 /P-3 IT'S THE PITS 11 L Lungo 6-11-7 T Reed
8 /026 JAM TOMORROW 9 Mrs S Bramall 7-11-7 J Burke (7)
9 0 JUKE BOX BILLY 78 J Johnson 5-11-7 A Larnach (3)
10 03F6 LOVING OMEN 9 (B) Miss Z Green 6-11-7 G McCourt
11 0/FU BUCK TO 26 R Spice 9-11-2 K Johnson
12 0/0- CARN MAIRS 537 J Jefferson 6-11-2 R Garritty
13 0508 HAZEL LEAF 16 R McDonald 7-11-2 P Niven
14 0320 MARSDEN ROCK 34 N Mason 6-11-2 J Supple (7)
15 03 KIRKCALDY 16 Mrs S Bradburne 4-11-0 P Williams (5)
16 P ROSE'S MATE 76 N Alexander 4-11-0 B Storey

7-2 Astings, 9-2 Addington Lad, 4-1 It's The Pits, 7-1 Hazel Leaf, 8-1 Coqui Lane, 10-1 Four Deep, 12-1 Marsden Rock, 16-1 others.

3.45 W GREEN THE SCOTTISH LAW PUBLISHER HANDICAP CHASE (£3,647: 3m) (8)

1 3333 REAL CLASS 5 (B,D,F,G,S) G Richards 10-11-10 G McCourt
2 P0V4 FORMULA ONE 9 (D,S) J Edwards 11-11-9 Judy Davies (7)
3 1110 POLAR REGION 32 (C,D,F,G) Jimmy Fitzgerald 7-11-7 P Niven
4 F3U2 FUNNY OLD GAME 9 (D,S) D McCune 6-10-11 Mr A Thornton (3)
5 P341 CHARMING GALE 28 (D,F,G,S) Mrs S Bradburne 6-10-8 P Williams (5)
6 35P4 FARNWORTH 6 (C,G,S) G Moore 10-10-6 N Bentley (3)
7 4416 MISTER MOODY 9 (CD,BF,F,S) J Johnson 8-10-5 A Orkney
8 2U4P BUCKLE IT UP 9 (D,S) A Mactaggart 6-10-5 Mr D Mactaggart

5-2 Charming Gale, 7-2 Real Class, 4-1 Funny Old Game, 9-2 Polar Region, 12-1 Formula One, 14-1 Mister Moody, 20-1 other.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: N Tinkler, 10 winners from 24 runners, 41.7%; S Kettlewell, 6 from 16, 37.5%, Jimmy Fitzgerald, 4 from 13, 30.8%; Miss L Perratt, 3 from 27, 29.6%, G Moore, 13 from 62, 21.0%, P Hobbs, 6 from 30, 20.0%.

JOCKEYS: Mr A Thornton, 3 winners from 8 rides, 37.5%, G McCourt, 16 from 49, 32.7%, P Niven, 19 from 71, 26.8%, K Johnson, 8 from 32, 25.0%; S Lyons, 5 from 21, 23.8%; B Bradley, 3 from 14, 21.4%.

4.15 KEMBACK CAR CENTRE HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,866: 2m 110yd) (8)

1 14U1 ABBOT OF FURNESS 8 (D,S) G Richards 9-12-3 (5ex) N Doughty
2 0042 PERSUASIVE 4 (CD,BF,G,S) Miss L Perratt 6-10-10 Mr M Buckley (5)
3 1-21 BAY TERN 200 (CD,F,G) T Dyer 7-10-3 P Harley
4 3231 THE GREEN FOOL 15 (D,F,G,S) V Thompson 6-10-6 B Clifford
5 1151 FAMILY LINE 4 (CD,F,G,S) Miss L Perratt 5-10-1 (6ex) F Perratt (7)
6 6003 MARLINGFORD 9 (B,CD,G,S) Mrs J Jordan 6-10-0 S Taylor (7)
7 3231 FLOWING RIVER 16 (D,F,G) R Allan 7-10-0 B Storey
8 3236 COOL DUDE 25 (D,S) J Johnson 7-10-0 A Larnach (3)

3-1 Abbot Of Furness, 4-1 The Green Fool, 5-1 Family Line, 11-2 Flowing River, 7-1 Persuasive, 8-1 Marlingford, 10-1 Cool Dude, 12-1 Bay Tern

4.45 STEEDMAN RAMAGE WS NOVICES HURDLE (£2,416: 2m 110yd) (9)

1 0341 OPERATION WOLF 28 (D,F) N Tinkler 7-11-7 G McCourt
2 60- ASHDREN 16F A Harrison 6-11-0 G Bradley
3 0003 CARDENDEN 16 Mrs S Bradburne 5-11-0 A Orkney
4 5506 NORTHERN SQUIRE 28 (V,BF) J Jefferson 5-11-0 P Niven
5 UP0F SHARED FORTUNE 9 W Kemp 5-11-0 –
6 2-0 WAYLON 210 J J O'Neill 5-11-0 B Storey
7 04 WYCLIFFE 8 N Mason 5-11-0 J Supple (7)
8 50P0 JUST EVE 9 J Gledson 6-10-9 T Reed
9 P- LIBERTY RANGE 34S R Johnson 5-10-9 K Johnson

Evens Operation Wolf, 9-2 Ashdren, 6-1 Cardenden, 8-1 Northern Squire, 14-1 Waylon, 16-1 others

5.15 TOTE CREDIT MAIDEN CHASE (£2,916: 2m) (12)

1 043P ABERCROMBY COMET 11 B Mactaggart 9-11-7 B Storey
2 22FF ELITE LEO 9 (BF) P Hobbs 8-11-7 Mr G Lewis (7)
3 6F-2 JUSTASERFF 41 L Lungo 11-11-7 T Reed
4 -05U MISTER CUMBERS 9 Miss L Perratt 6-11-7 Mr A Thornton (3)
5 00FF MODULATOR 11 T Dyer 11-11-7 A Linton (7)
6 P SHARPSIDE 9 J White 6-11-7 B Clifford
7 4324 STRONG FANCY 5 (B,D,G) S Kettlewell 10-11-7 N Bentley (3)
8 0004 STRONG SILVER 61 R Johnson 8-11-7 K Johnson
9 -365 TARTAN TORNADO 134 (V) G Richards 7-11-7 N Doughty
10 5FFP VEE TEE 15 V Thompson 7-11-7 K Jones
11 000F BRIGHT POLLY 43 J Haldane 7-11-2 A Merrigan
12 3304 DOLITINO 9 Miss Z Green 9-11-2 G McCourt

5-2 Justaserff, 3-1 Strong Fancy, 9-2 Elite Leo, 13-2 Tartan Tornado, 12-1 Dolitino, 16-1 others

5.45 STAKIS DUNKELD HOUSE HOTEL INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGE HANDICAP HURDLE (Amateurs: £2,682: 3m 110yd) (7)

1 04F4 FETTUCCINE 40 (CD,F,G,S) P Cheesbrough 9-12-0 A Thornton (3)
2 2210 MIDLAND LAD 20 (D,F,S) J Eyre 8-11-0 Mrs C Hirst (7)
3 0206 ROSE TABLEAU 40 (F,S) J J O'Neill 10-10-6 J A Berry
4 3422 SIMPLE PLEASURE 8 (F,G,S) Mrs M Stirk 8-10-0 S Swiers
5 01/4 SACROSANCT 60 (F) K Bailey 9-10-0 A Coonan
6 0254 HARDIHERO 11 (F,S) G White 7-10-0 G F White (7)
7 040P JUST PRETEND 15 V Thompson 9-10-0 A Manners (7)

9-4 Simple Pleasure, 11-4 Midland Lad, 4-1 Fettuccine, 11-2 Rose Tableau, 8-1 Sacrosanct, 12-1 Hardihero, 50-1 Just Pretend.

Blinkered first time

CATTERICK BRIDGE: 4.20 Matthew David.

CATTERICK

THUNDERER
2.10 Munnasib. 2.45 Jizyah. 3.20 Canny Chronicle. 3.50 Carbon Steel. 4.20 Bold County. 4.50 White Muzzle. 5.20 Tyrone Flyer.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.10 NESSUN DORMA (nap). 3.20 Canny Chronicle. 4.40 Roveredo.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT SIS
DRAW: 5F-7F, LOW NUMBERS BEST

2.10 ASPIRING JOCKEYS APPRENTICE MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,579: 7f) (10 runners)

1 -305 ARAGON KING 21 Miss G Kelleway 9-0 J Weaver 7
2 CARLTON EXPRESS D Smith 9-0 C Teague (5) 4
3 CHICKCHARNIE B Beasley 9-0 O Pears 3
4 04-0 DUPLICATE 15 M H Easterby 9-0 S Maloney 2
5 0 GORDON'S BROTHER 7 J Hetherton 9-0 A Tucker 5
6 1- MUNNASIB 187 (D,F) A Scott 9-0 J Tate (5) 1
7 42-2 NESSUN DORMA 15 G Wragg 9-0 F Norton 8
8 0-23 PANTHER 6 J Hetherton 9-0 N Kennedy 6
9 0-5 SHAMGAAN 11 M Stoute 9-0 K Pattinson (5) 9
10 00- BROOMHOUSE LADY 187 M Johnston 8-9 M Baird (5) 10

6-4 Nessun Dorma, 5-2 Munnasib, 7-2 Shamgaan, 8-1 Panther, 12-1 Duplicate, 16-1 Aragon King, 25-1 Chickcharnie, 50-1 others.

2.45 JOCKEY CAP MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,735: 5f 212yd) (2)

1 34- JIZYAH 196 H Thomson Jones 8-9 R Hills 2
2 -263 MISS WHITTINGHAM 21 J Berry 8-9 J Carroll 1

1-3 Jizyah, 9-4 Miss Whittingham.

3.20 WIN WITH THE TOTE HANDICAP (£3,377: 1m 4f 44yd) (8)

1 3/106- CANNY CHRONICLE 185J (D,F,G,S) M Tompkins 5-10-0 P Robinson 4
2 021- DRUMMER HICKS 193 (F,G,S) E Weymes 4-9-12 Dean McKeown 1
3 /50-0 LEGION OF HONOUR 27 (D,F) M Naughton 5-9-3 A Munro 8
4 11/1/ MERRY NUTKIN 1084 (F,G) Mrs M Reveley 7-9-0 K Darley 7
5 030-2 PERSONAL HAZARD 8 (V,F) M H Easterby 4-8-12 M Birch 3
6 65-1 DEB'S BALL 21 (CD,F,G,S) D Moffatt 7-8-7 J Quinn 2
7 415- FAIR FLYER 230 (D,F,G) M Johnston 4-8-3 R P Elliott 6
8 2-65 CONTINUITY 63J E Alston 4-7-13 D Wright (7) 5

11-4 Personal Hazard, 7-2 Deb's Ball, 4-1 Drummer Hicks, 11-2 Canny Chronicle, 8-1 Merry Nutkin, Fair Flyer, 12-1 Continuity, 25-1 Legion Of Honour.

3.50 HURGILL LODGE CONDITIONS STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,420: 7f) (3)

1 150- CARBON STEEL 187 (S) B Hills 8-12 D Holland 1
2 1- SPICE AND SUGAR 204 (S) J Bethell 8-5 A Munro 3
3 330- WILLSHE GAN 176 (F) D Smith 8-5 K Fallon 2

1-4 Carbon Steel, 5-1 Willshe Gan, 6-1 Spice And Sugar.

4.20 SEDBURY HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3,348: 5f) (10)

1 -332 WINTERING 13 (D,BF,S) M Prescott 9-7 G Duffield 8
2 032- BOLD COUNTY 166 (CD,F) M Johnston 9-3 Dean McKeown 1
3 0-11 PRESS THE BELL 21 (CD,F,G) J Berry 9-1 J Carroll 6
4 30-1 PRIMULA BAIRN 21 (CD,G) Mrs J Ramsden 8-8 K Fallon 4
5 40-4 LUCKY MILL 21 F Lee 7-12 N Kennedy (3) 10
6 005- JOTRA 155 R Whitaker 7-10 N Carlisle 7
7 00-0 MATTHEW DAVID 82 (B,D) M Brittain 7-7 J Lowe 5
8 6-40 MUDGEE 18 T Barron 7-7 D Wright (7) 3
9 0444 CRACKER JACK 13 (B) T Fairhurst 7-7 S Wood 9
10 -300 FOREST FLYER 21 M Brittain 7-7 G Bardwell 2

2-1 Press The Bell, 3-1 Primula Bairn, 9-2 Wintering, Bold County, 10-1 others.

4.50 RICHMOND CONDITIONS STAKES (3-Y-O; £3,084: 1m 4f 44yd) (4)

1 1 ROVEREDO 20 (D) L Cumani 8-12 L Dettori 1
2 33-1 WHITE MUZZLE 15 (G) P Chapple-Hyam 8-12 J Reid 3
3 01- SCULLER 198 (S) H Cecil 8-10 W Ryan 2
4 510- SOUL EMPEROR 182 (S) M Bell 8-10 A Munro 4

5-4 Sculler, 6-4 White Muzzle, 9-2 Roveredo, 10-1 Soul Emperor.

5.20 SPRING HANDICAP (£3,235: 7f) (13)

1 -130 ROSEATE LODGE 26 (F,G) K Burke 7-10-0 J Weaver (3) 11
2 00-0 AFFORDABLE 15 (D,F,G) S Norton 5-9-4 O Pears (5) 1
3 200- GLENFIELD GRETA 186 (F) P Felgate 5-9-3 W Ryan 10
4 826- QUINTA ROYALE 221 (D,F) W Turner 6-8-12 G Duffield 12
5 00-0 BALLAD DANCER 6 (D,G,S) Mrs P Barker 8-8-12 K Darley 5
6 -515 TYRONE FLYER 9 (CD,G) Miss G Kelleway 4-8-10 Stephen Davies (5) 6
7 0-00 SPECTACLE JIM 8 R Curtis 4-8-7 N Day 3
8 1006 COMPANY CASH 47 (B,D) R Bastiman 5-8-5 Dean McKeown 9
9 650- THROW AWAY LINE 49J R Barr 4-8-4 S Webster 8
10 -213 MAROWINS 20 (D) E Alston 4-8-2 J Quinn 2
11 04-4 LORD LAMBSON 22 R Whitaker 4-8-0 A Munro 4
12 42-0 CHANCE REPORT 13 (D,F) F Lee 5-7-10 N Kennedy (3) 7
13 00-5 COOL ENOUGH 2 (CD,F,G,S) Mrs Ramsden 12-7-9 N Carlisle 13

5-1 Roseate Lodge, 11-2 Tyrone Flyer, 6-1 Cool Enough, 8-1 Glenfield Greta, Affordable, 10-1 Quinta Royale, Marowins, 12-1 Ballad Dancer, 16-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 11 winners from 20 runners, 55.0%; A Scott, 3 from 8, 37.5%; B Hills, 13 from 39, 33.3%, M Tompkins, 7 from 23, 30.4%; M Stoute, 8 from 27, 29.6%, G Wragg, 7 from 24, 29.2%.

JOCKEYS: L Dettori, 7 winners from 29 rides, 24.1%; D Holland, 6 from 29, 20.7%, W Ryan, 9 from 48, 18.8%, O Pears, 5 from 28, 17.9%; J Carroll, 24 from 136, 17.6%, R Hills, 5 from 30, 16.7%.

RESULTS FROM YESTERDAY'S TWO MEETINGS

Folkestone

Going: good

1.50 (1m 1f 149yd) 1, NORTHERN CONQUEROR (D Holland, 13-2); 2, Storm Free (N Carlisle, 10-11 fav); 3, Thin Red Line (S Whitworth, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 12 Ragtime Song (4th), Devonian (6th), 14 Wood Kay, 16 Yaafoor, Emerald Ears (5th), 25 Mastamist. 9 ran. 1l, 7l, 4l, sh hd, 3½l. T Naughton at Epsom. Tote: £9.30; £3.20, £1.10, £1.80. DF £3.80 CSF £12.11.

2.20 (1m 1f 149yd) 1, *NATURAL LAD* (G Duffield, 5-2 fav); 2, Amlak (J Quinn, 6-1); 3, *Princess Evita* (D Harrison, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 3 Sunset Street (4th), 6 June's Lear Fan, 8 Colonel Fairfax, Mon Petitnamour (5th), 20 L'Acquesiana, 25 Rogerson (6th). 9 ran. ¾l, 3l, 3½l, sh hd, 15l. C Weedon at Chiddingfold. Tote: £3.40; £1.50, £2.40, £3.10. DF: £16.60. CSF: £17.77.

2.50 (6f 189yd) 1, PRAIRIE GROVE (Mark Denaro, 5-2); 2, Breakfast Boogie (N Varley, 11-2); 3, Royal Interval (S Lanigan, 15-8 fav). ALSO RAN: 4 Mummys Rocket, 14 Marat (4th), 16 Wired For Sound, 33 Tresaria, Take The Mick (5th), Krayyan Dawn (6th). 9 ran. 2l, nk, 3l, nk, 8l. R Hannon at Marlborough. Tote: £2.80; £2.20, £2.10, £1.10. DF: £14.60. CSF: £16.30.

3.20 (6f) 1, PRESS GALLERY (G Duffield, 7-2); 2, The Little Ferret (B Rouse, 5-4 fav); 3, Walnut Burl (J Reid, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Twice The Groom, 6 Tip Me Up (5th), 14 Devious Dancer (4th), 16 Sharp Prospect, 25 Sencan, 33 Stockforce, 50 July Bride, Lanzamar, Western Valley, Gallop To Glory (6th). 13 ran. 2l, 6l, 2l, hd, 1½l. Mrs J Cecil at Newmarket. Tote: £5.00; £1.50, £1.60, £7.30. DF: £3.60. CSF: £8.23.

3.50 (5f) 1, WINDOW DISPLAY (M Roberts, 15-2); 2, Little Emmeline (N Carlisle, 33-1); 3, Madame Gregoire (R Cochrane, 6-4 fav). ALSO RAN: 9-4 Risky Affair (4th), 4 Miss Rocky, 16 Imperial Bailiwick (5th), Double-D, 25 Forever Blushing (6th), Crafty Cricketer, 33 Wooly Bully. 10 ran. NR: Bev's Folly. Nk, 2l, 1l, nk, 5l. M Channon at Upper Lambourn. Tote: £8.10; £2.30, £3.70, £1.10. DF: £53.60 CSF: £176.59.

4.20 (1m 7f 92yd) 1, SHOOFE (M Roberts, 9-2); 2, Island Blade (T Quinn, 15-8 fav); 3, Pride Of Britain (N Carlisle, 8-1); 4, Hunting Ground (J Quinn, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 10 Peach Brandy, Smilingatstrangers (6th), 12 Aedean, 14 Drinks Party, 16 Up All Night, Forge (5th), 25 Chakalak, Striking Image, 33 Suren, Chasmarella, Lloyds Dream, 66 Canadian Boy. 16 ran. NR: Prosequendo. 1l, hd, 3½l, ¾l, 1l. D Morley at Newmarket. Tote: £7.10; £1.10, £7.10, £1.60, £4.70. DF: £4.20. CSF: £13.48. Tricast: £66.22.

4.50 (5f) 1, CRIME OFTHECENTURY (T Quinn, 4-5 fav); 2, Yakin (R Hills, 11-8); 3, Belle Of Longwick (T Williams, 9-1). ALSO RAN: 33 Ever So Lonely (4th). 4 ran. 3l, 1½l, 3l. P Cole at Wantage. Tote £1.90. DF: £1.70 CSF £2.23.

5.20 (1m 4f) 1, BLACKPATCH HILL (W Carson, 4-1); 2, Broughton's Tango (D McCabe, 5-2 fav); 3, Tenayestelign (S Dawson, 12-1); 4, Admirals Secret (R Cochrane, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Preston Guild (5th), 8 Killick, 14 L'Uomo Classics, Qualitair Memory, Early To Rise (6th), 16 Tempelhof, 20 Simply, El Dominio, 25 Princess Ermyn, 33 Julfaar, Post Impressionist, Rock The Barney, Ilderton Road. 17 ran. NR: State Of Affairs. 2l, 3l, sh hd, 7l, sh hd. J Dunlop at Arundel. Tote: £3.30; £1.10, £1.60, £3.90, £3.20. DF: £6.00. CSF: £15.48. Tricast: £110.32.

Placepot: £25.40.

Newton Abbot

Going: good to soft

2.00 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Ghia Gneulagh (D Bridgwater, 3-1); 2, Prudent Peggy (14-1), 3, Major Bush (4-6 fav). 12 ran. 7l, 2l. N Twiston-Davies. Tote £5.10; £1.80, £2.30, £1.10. DF: £14.90 CSF £43.05.

2.35 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Sport Of Fools (N Hawke, 66-1), 2, Elite Reg (4-7 fav); 3, Peacock Feather (8-1). 14 ran. NR: Mecado. 2l, 2½l. W Reed. Tote: £126.60; £13.40, £1.20, £1.40. DF: £273.20. CSF: £100.05.

3.05 (3m 2f 110yd ch) 1, No Grandad (Mr T Byrne, 3-1 fav), 2, Skinnhill (8-1); 3, Impeccable Timing (40-1). 9 ran. NR: Leagaune. 3l, 8l. J Upson. Tote £3.40; £1.10, £2.80, £7.70. DF: £16.90. CSF: £23.90. Tricast: £698.57

3.35 (3m 3f hdle) 1, *Miramac* (J Frost, 9-1). 2, Duckhaven (16-1), 3, Remlosa (12-1), 4, *Waldorf T Beagle* (10-1) *Captain Ahab* 3-1 fav. 17 ran. NR: Arran View. 10l, 12l. R Frost. Tote: £19.20; £2.50, £5.90, £2.40, £4.20. DF: £105.50. CSF: £142.97. Tricast: £1,615.19

4.05 (2m 5f ch) 1, City Kid (P Hide, 12-1). 2, The Master Gunner (9-4 fav); 3, Primitive Singer (12-1). 14 ran. ½l, 15l. J Gifford. Tote: £20.00; £4.70, £1.60, £4.00. DF: £36.70. CSF: £39.12. Tricast: £323.34

4.35 (2m 6f hdle) 1, Mardood (H Davies, 10-1); 2, Vado Via (9-2), 3, Spanish Servant (16-1). Snowy Lane 7-2 fav. 15 ran. 3l, 3½l. P Leach. Tote: £16.20; £4.20, £2.30, £12.90. DF: £73.00 CSF: £53.09. Tricast: £868.39.

Placepot: £630.30.

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Dangerous Davis rediscovers the wonder of winning

Andrew Longmore finds Steve Davis, the six-time world snooker champion, relaxed and ready to recapture his former glories



Concentration situation: Davis has re-emerged from the darkness and feels confident of again making a big impression at the world snooker championship in Sheffield

An unmistakable air of optimism pervaded the gloom of the Matchroom Club in bleakest Romford. A snooker player, barely visible in the twilight of mid-afternoon, happy in his lair. So happy he even put away his cue for two days last week which, for Steve Davis, preparing for his first-round match against Peter Ebdon in the Embassy world championship today, is tantamount to heresy. The patron saint of workaholics putting his feet up?

"Very unusual." Davis admitted, his face more relaxed than in his robotic days. "Last year, my cue was superglued to me. My wife, Judy, was totally elbowed out. But I was a different person then, very introverted. This year, I'm quite outward-going because I'm playing better."

Three tournament wins in the past three months give ample evidence of that improvement but, as Davis has always viewed success and failure in terms of the world championship, the real test of whether he will be a force in the Nineties, or remain a one-decade wonder, will come during the next fortnight.

Having travelled to hell and back over the past three years, Davis is confident he can compete on level terms with the best for the first time since he overwhelmed John Parrott 18-3 in the 1989 final to record his sixth title.

"To win a world title in the Nineties would be my greatest achievement," he said. "It would mean I had sustained a higher level of snooker than ever before and it's a chance to stuff it up everyone who said I couldn't do it.

"I'm a different player from six or seven years ago. I've had a bad time. I know what fear is like and maybe I'll never be the same again. On the other hand, I may now be more relaxed and even stronger. I'm venturing into the unknown."

The idea of Davis, at 35, beginning a new adventure at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield, which he once knew so intimately he even had a special lucky spot on the pavement outside, is as unlikely as his well-publicised descent.

At times in his heyday, he seemed to be the only true professional in a world of amateurs; a mechanical superman committed to a goal far beyond mere winning. Davis, perhaps, came closer than anyone to achieving perfection, to distilling the unpredictability out of sport and reducing it to inevitable anti-climax.

Yet as if fate had chosen her own form of retaliation for such presumption, the man who once could not hit a ball off line if his life was at stake had to suffer the humiliation of being disqualified from a tournament in Ireland for missing the same ball three times in a row.

Worse than that, the crowds who had condemned Mr Interesting as the all-time sourpuss of snooker began to cheer him, a sure sign that his very un-British habit of winning too often had finally been broken.

For just over two years, from the end of 1989 to early 1992, he did not win a ranking tournament. In his own words, he became a winner who wasn't winning any more. "I was walking out as the six-time world champion, knowing I couldn't hit a ball straight," Davis recalled. "I would be hoping I wouldn't get certain shots because I knew I wasn't strong enough to make them. In the end, I began to expect less of myself and I couldn't see any end to the trouble."

It did not help that, in every other respect, the all-seeing eyes, the slim frame, the immaculate hair, was still the same unbeatable Davis. Only a protective two-year ranking system, with which he disagrees, and an instinct for self-preservation stopped him from plummeting out of the top five.

But just as Davis was coming to the conclusion that his nerve had shattered — others blamed changing priorities after his marriage, in July 1990, and the birth of his son, Greg — he found a fundamental technical fault, three weeks before the start of the world championship last year.

He will not say what it was — "I see the same fault in others" — but he lost in the first round, ironically to Ebdon, and with Faldo-like obstinacy began the long and painful process of adjusting his cue action.

At the same time, he was struggling to come to terms not just with his own fallibility but with a style of snooker and a breed of player unfamiliar to the refugees of the Eighties boom.

"I had to wake up and slap myself in the face because I was getting overtaken," he said. "Not just in matches but in the way I approached the competitive side of snooker.

"In practice, I saw top players competing against top players — ten pence a point, £5 on a game — generating competition, toughening themselves up.

"In the Eighties, if you were good, you locked yourself away so that no one got used to you."

Nor was it any consolation that his own excellence, beamed into the front rooms of a million households, had become the yardstick.

"It was like Olga Korbut. She was the first to do a double back-flip or whatever. Then everyone was doing them. On the table, there is nothing I can do now that others can't, so I have had to become more aggressive, not just wait for others to make mistakes.

"The percentages have changed. I used to turn down a lot of 50-50 balls. These days players go for almost every 50-50 ball. That's why many of the more tactical players have failed to last.

"I finally realised that if I was going to be a champion in the Nineties as well, I had to go out and compete in practice and play more tournaments than ever before."

By competing more against the likes of Stephen Hendry, Jimmy White and John Parrott, Davis also had to accept being beaten more, which was a hard lesson for an obsessive winner to learn.

"You bash someone up one day, then get beaten up yourself the next," he said. "You have to be mentally strong enough to take the beating and come back for more. Years ago, if I'd have been badly beaten, I would have thought the wheels had come off. Now, I don't get so depressed if I lose."

Apart from the top four — Hendry, Parrott, White and himself — Davis adds two more names, Alan McManus and James Wattana, to the list of potential world champions this year. "As the top bracket gets bigger, it becomes harder for an outsider, like Joe Johnson, to come through," he said.

"When there was just a top two, anything could happen. But I don't think there will be a Steve Davis of the Nineties. There is more of a knife-edge between the top players."

For once, Davis is looking forward to an event that, in the past, has been part dentist's chair, part playground. "I've had moments at the championship when I've looked around and thought 'I cannot believe it, I'm absolutely loving this'," he said.

"If I feel that, then I'm dangerous, and for the first time in a long while I have a chance of recapturing that feeling." The winner who wasn't winning may just have recovered the knack.

Becker makes another early clay-court exit

BORIS Becker made a rapid exit from the Monte Carlo tennis open yesterday, losing 7-6, 6-3 to Marc Rosset, of Switzerland, the Olympic champion.

It was a second clay-court defeat in a week for Becker, who went out in the second round of the Nice tournament last week on his return to the circuit after two months out with viral infections.

Rosset, who matched Becker's big services, was more consistent at the baseline and took the first-set tie-break 7-3. In the second set, Rosset broke Becker's service in the seventh game to go ahead and did not drop another game thereafter.

Stefan Edberg, the No. 1 seed, had to come from a set down to win his opening match against Henri Leconte.

Leconte, who has won only two matches all year, was galvanised by the partisan crowd and produced some marvellous winners to take the first set 6-3.

Edberg opened up a 5-0 lead in the second set but Leconte fought back to 5-5, within two games of the match. However, the Frenchman took only one more game, Edberg winning 3-6, 7-5, 6-1.

Andrei Medvedev, 18, of Ukraine, continued his fine form with a 6-4, 6-0 victory over Tom Nijssen, of Holland.

Juventus recall Platt for Uefa Cup tie

By Our Sports Staff

THE England captain, David Platt, has been recalled by Juventus for tomorrow's Uefa Cup semi-final second leg against Paris Saint-Germain, but is still uncertain about his future at the club as speculation grows in Italy that he is to move to Sampdoria, the former league champions from Genoa, at the end of the season.

Platt, dropped for the recent Juventus league victories over Torino and AC Milan, is included because the German defender, Jürgen Köhler is suspended, but is well aware of the transfer talk: "In England, we say that when you cross the touchline and walk on to the field, then you should think only of playing," he said yesterday.

"With a game as important as this coming up, you cannot be thinking about the future or your own particular case. We've got to go out there, determined not to concede a goal but also to score at least one ourselves. We cannot just go out and try to defend our lead."

Juventus take a 2-1 advantage to Paris, but their coach, Giovanni Trapattoni, has had to reshuffle his side. As well as Köhler, the midfield players, Dino Baggio and Antonio Conte, are also suspended, leaving Platt in an odd-looking midfield alongside GianLuca Vialli, normally a forward, and a defender, GianCarlo Marocchi. The attack will be led by PierLuigi Casiraghi, supported by the in-form pairing of Andreas Möller and Roberto Baggio.

Parma, who go into their Cup Winners' Cup semi-final second leg at home against Spain's Atlético Madrid with a similar 2-1 lead, will be without the injured Colombian forward, Faustino Asprilla, who cut in his leg in a domestic incident at his home in Bogotá, and the suspended Alberto Di Chiara and Daniele Zoratto.

AC Milan's injured Dutch forward, Marco van Basten, has asked to play in tonight's European Cup match against PSV Eindhoven, but an appearance seems unlikely. Van Basten's recovery from an ankle operation in December has taken longer than expected, but Milan are unwilling to risk him in what is a purely academic encounter, preferring instead to save him for the final, for which they have already qualified.

"Marco asked me if he could play for 30 minutes. I told him to calm down," the Milan trainer, Fabio Capello, said. Milan are likely to rest a number of their leading players, all of whom have picked up a booking during the tournament, to ensure they can play in the final. Instead of Franco Baresi, Demetrio Albertini, Stefano Eranio and the injured Jean-Pierre Papin, Milan are likely to call up Stefano Nava, Roberto Donadoni, Dejan Savicevic and Zvonimir Boban.

Badminton organisers put emphasis on safety

VIRGINIA Leng, the former world three-day event champion, and Mark Todd, of New Zealand, the dual Olympic champion, are among seven former winners of Badminton who head the record 122 entries for this year's event from May 6 to 9 (Jenny MacArthur writes). The winner of this year's Mitsubishi Trophy receives £20,000.

After last year's event — in which three horses, including Todd's, were killed on the rain-soaked cross-country course — the organisers have put a special emphasis on safety. Previously, there had been only two fatalities in 15 years.

Hugh Thomas, the director of the trials, who unveiled his course yesterday, said: "The fences will be roped-off just in front of the take-offs so that the ground is not made slippery by spectators walking right up to the jumps. If it is wet, we'll also put a mixture of dust and grit on any slippery places on the course."

Both Leng and Todd were victims of the slippery conditions last year. Leng, who was runner-up on Master Craftsman, had a fall from her first ride, Welton Houdini, when he slipped at fence No. 9, The Fairbank Rail, while Todd, the winner in 1980, lost his best horse, Face the Music, after slipping at fence No. 16.

Come into the Garden, Paul

PAUL Hodkinson, the World Boxing Council (WBC) featherweight champion, could defend his title in Madison Square Garden if he retains his crown against the Mexican, Goyo Vargas, in Dublin on April 28.

An interested spectator at the bout will be the New York promoter, Bobby Goodman, who will be able to start immediate negotiations with the champion's manager, B. J. Eastwood, for a match with the No. 1 challenger, the American, Kevin Kelley, who has run up 33 successive wins.

"A Hodkinson-Kelley fight would carry a purse of $1 million (about £650,000) and Goodman thinks he could arrange it," Eastwood said. "He'll be flying to Dublin at the start of next week and I expect to meet him to start off serious discussions.

"This kind of money would be possible with backing from Home Box Office television and they've already declared their interest.

"They showed Paul's title win over Marcos Villasana and their viewers are now keen to see him take on Kelley, who has a big following in New York."

The former World Boxing Organisation (WBO) featherweight champion, Rubén Palacio, has tested HIV positive in Colombia — confirming a British blood test that led to him failing a medical and being stripped of his title.

"The specialists have informed the boxer that his tests were positive, validating the results in Great Britain," a statement from Palacio's agent read.

Before failing his medical, Palacio had been due to defend his title against John Davison, of Newcastle, who went on to lose against the late stand-in, Steve Robinson, of Cardiff. After returning to Bogotá, Palacio told reporters that he didn't trust the British tests.

Britain's former world featherweight champion, Colin McMillan, yesterday spoke of his relief after being given a clean bill of health after testing negative for the AIDS virus. He had a bloody title fight last September with Palacio.

WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 48

MIKE

(c) British slang, a period of idleness or shirking, 1825-; as verb, to hang around idly, shirk work; origin unknown, but cf. the British dialect verb *mitch* to skulk, play truant, apparently from the Old French *muchier, mucier* to hide or lurk; *The Times*, 1958: "The day of the cheerful veteran forward, gratefully relying upon opportunities for a mild mike, may be coming to an end."

SCUZZY

(b) Adjective, originally and mainly North American, disgusting in appearance, behaviour, etc.; dirty, grimy; despicable, sleazy; from *scuzz*, probably an abbreviation of *disgusting*, but intimations also of a portmanteau of *scum* and *fuzz*; *New Musical Express*, 1987: "Zeppelin were really dumb: visibly hanging out with the scuzziest groupies in town."

FIZGIG

(a) Oz slang for a police informer, also spelled *phizgig*, cf. an earlier sense for a silly or flirtatious young woman, probably connected with *fizzer*, a disappointing failure, a fiasco, from firework that fails to go off; *Sun-Herald*, Sydney, 1984: "We described him as rather a big crim and also a fizgig — an interesting word that means a grass, an informer."

EIGHTY-SIX

(c) In restaurants and bars, an expression indicating that the supply of an item has run out, or that a customer is not to be served; also a customer to be refused service; also enough of, no more of; 1936-; probably rhyming slang for *nix* noun; G. Fowler, 1944: "There was a bar in the Belasco building, but Barrymore was known in that cubby as an eighty-six."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

White picked up a piece with 1 Nc6 Qd7 2 Bxd5 exd5 3 Nxe7+.

FOR THE RECORD

FOOTBALL

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: West Ham 3, Tottenham 5

ARGENTINIAN LEAGUE: Rosario Central 2, Boca Juniors 1; Estudiantes de La Plata 1, Argentinos Juniors 1; Independiente 2, San Lorenzo de Almagro 1; Deportivo Español 2, Lanus 1; Belgrano 2, Deportivo Mandiyu 2; Velez Sarsfield 2, Platense 1; Huracan 0, Racing Club 1, Ferro Carril Oeste 1, Gimnasia y Esgrima 0; River Plate 2, Newell's Old Boys 0

Late results on Monday

PREMIER LEAGUE: Ipswich Town 3, Norwich City 1.

PONTINS LEAGUE: First division: Rotherham 0, Wolves 1. Second division: Burnley 1, Coventry 1, Port Vale 3, Scunthorpe 1; York 1, Bradford City 2.

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: Crystal Palace 3, Bristol C 0.

DIADORA LEAGUE: Premier division: Sutton United 3, Carshalton 1. First division: Dorking 3, Tooting and Mitcham 1; Purfleet 2, Aveley 1.

HFS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier division: Hyde 1, Marine 2; Winsford 1, Gainsborough 0. First division: Curzon Ashton 3, Warrington 0. Cup: Final: Guiseley 1, Bridlington 4.

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Hednesford 4, Bashley 1. Southern division: Havant 1, Witney 3

ATHLETICS

BOSTON MARATHON: Men: 1, C N'Deti (Ken), 2hr 09min 33sec; 2, Kim Joe-Yong (S Kor), 2:09:43; 3, L Swanbool (Nam), 2:09:57; 12, A Ronen (Ire), 2:14:58; 15, S Jones (US), 2:15.30. Women: 1, O Markova (Russ), 2hr 25min 27sec; 2, K Jones (US), 2:30:00; 3, C De Oliveira (Br), 2:31:18 British placing: 16, A Roden, 2:44:10

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Boston Red Sox 6, Chicago White Sox 0; Toronto Blue Jays 7, Cleveland Indians 1; Seattle Mariners 10, Detroit Tigers 6.

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Postponed: Houston Astros v Chicago Cubs

BASKETBALL

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NBA): Seattle SuperSonics 96, San Antonio Spurs 89; Houston Rockets 111, Phoenix Suns 97.

BOWLS

TWEED HEAD, Australia: Mazda Jack High tournament (Australia unless stated): Section A: R Corsie (Scot) bt R Pamella, 7-9, 9-6, 9-4; D Stockham bt M Johnston (Ire), 9-8, 9-7. Section B: D Shaw bt G Smith (Eng), 9-5, 8-9, 9-2. T Morris bt M McMahon (HK), 8-9, 9-6, 10-8.

MOTOR RALLYING

LOMBARD LONDON-SYDNEY MARATHON: Third day (Tnsr to Igls, Austria). Leading positions: 1, T Hunter and P Bowden (Porsche 911), 26min 54sec; 2, G Lorimer and G Smith (Ford Escort), 27:26; 3, F Tuthill and A Shewell (Porsche 911), 27.43; 4, T Daly and B Bell (Ford Mustang), 27.44; 5, C Short and N Stanley (Ford Escort), 28.08; 6, R Clark and A Moy (Ford Escort), 28.08.

ICE HOCKEY

MUNICH: World championships: Pool A: Russia 4, Austria 2. Pool B: Finland 2, France 0

NATIONAL LEAGUE (NHL): Vancouver Canucks 4, Winnipeg Jets 2; Detroit Red Wings 6, Toronto Maple Leafs 3.

RIFLE SHOOTING

BISLEY: Malvern Cup: 1, Gresham's A, 588.61pts (G Barnet, 98.15); 2, RGS, Guildford, 582 (S Rule, 99.17); 3, Epsom A, 563.52 (A Bhargava, 96.10). Eights: (1,000 and 1,100yds) equal 1, Cambridge University and John de Havilland's VIII, 952. Individual: P Saul, 142. Eights: 1, Cambridge University A, 752.69 (A Cargill-Thompson, 97.11). 2, Oxford and Cambridge RA, 731.72 (C Bolk, 96.10); 3, Cambridge B, 731.57 (P Chapman, 98.10).

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCH: Aberdeen 29, Crawshay's XV 29.

SQUASH

WEMBLEY: Hi-Tec British Open championships: Age-group finals: Men over-35: P Konyon (Eng) bt H Jahan (Eng), 9-1, 9-6, 9-6. Over-40: A Kaoud (Egypt) bt R Shay (Eng), 9-2, 9-3, 2-9, 9-4, 9-5. Over-45: A Aziz (Egypt) bt A Sidwell (Eng), 10-8, 9-3, 1-9, 1-9, 9-4. Over-50: M Yacin (Eng) bt R Barlow (Eng), 9-4, 9-4, 9-2. Over-55: K Hiscoe (Aus) bt J Lyon (Eng), 6-8, 9-1, 9-4, 6-9, 9-6. Women over-35: R Andersson (Aus) bt S Johnson (Wales), 9-3, 9-2, 9-4. Over-40: A Murphy (Eng) bt B Dryhurst (Eng), 9-7, 4-9, 10-8, 9-4.

TENNIS

DAVIS CUP: Asia/Oceania: Group three: United Arab Emirates 3, Qatar 0, Singapore 3, Syria 0; Saudi Arabia 2, Lebanon 1; Bahrain 2, Bangladesh 1.

MONTE CARLO: Open tournament: First round: A Chesnokov (Russ) bt L Mattar (Br), 6-0, 6-4; A Corretja (Sp) bt C Bergstrom (Swe), 6-1, 6-3; F Clavet (Sp) bt J Downs (Br), 7-5, 6-2; M Filippini (Uru) bt A Boetsch (Fr), 3-6, 6-4, 6-1; C Costa (Sp) bt F Fetterlein (Ger), 6-3, 6-1; A Cherkasov (Russ) bt R Gilbert (Fr), 3-6, 6-3, 6-2; T Nijssen (Holl) bt O Delaitre (Fr), 4-6, 6-4, 6-1; E Sánchez (Sp) bt O Camporese (It), 6-3, 6-2; U Stenlund (Swe) bt D Nargiso (It), 6-1, 6-4; M Gustafsson (Swe) bt J Siemerink (Holl), 6-4, 6-0; R Krajicek (Holl) bt B Karbacher (Ger), 6-1, 6-2, G Forget (Fr) bt G Prpic (Cro), 6-4, 6-4; C-U Steeb (Ger) bt G Perez-Roldan (Arg), 6-4, 7-6; M Rosset (Switz) bt N Kulti (Swe), 7-6, 6-2; S Bruguera (Sp) bt R Furlan (It), 6-4, 6-4; H Leconte (Fr) bt J Hlasek (Switz), 6-3, 7-6, M Ondruska (SA) bt G Markus (Arg), 7-6, 6-4; A Olhovskiy (Russ) bt F Davin (Arg), 4-6, 6-4, 6-4, J Sánchez (Sp) bt F Santoro (Fr), 6-4, 3-6, 7-5, A Krickstein (US) bt H Holm (Swe), 6-1, 6-2, P Haarhuis (Holl) bt T Enqvist (Swe), 7-5, 6-1, C Pioline (Fr) bt T Zdrazila (Czech Rep), 1-6, 6-4, 6-1; J Svensson (Swe) bt J Arrese (Sp), 7-5, 6-4, M Larsson (Swe) bt K Novacek (Cz), 4-6, 6-3, 6-4. Second round: A Corretja (Sp) bt M Filippini (Uru), 6-4, 6-4, J Sánchez (Sp) bt M Gustafsson (Swe), 6-2, 6-3; M Rosset (Switz) bt B Becker (Ger), 7-6, 6-3; S Edberg (Swe) bt H Leconte (Fr), 3-6, 7-6, 6-1; C Costa (Sp) bt F Clavet (Sp), 6-1, 6-1, S Bruguera (Sp) bt A Olhovskiy (Russ), 6-0, 6-1; A Medvedev (Ukr) bt T Nijssen (Holl), 6-4, 6-0.

KUALA LUMPUR: Malaysian Women's Open: N Provis (Aus) bt Y Kamio (Japan), 6-2, 6-2; R Hazell (Japan) bt A Nicole (US), 7-5, 6-4; K Quentrec (Fr) bt M Kiene (Holl), 6-2, 3-6, 6-2; H Kelesi (Can) bt A Simadova (Cz), 6-1, 6-1.

NAGOYA, Japan: Challenger tournament: First round: J Bates (GB) bt A Foster (GB), 7-6, 6-2; M Petchey (GB) bt A Rachel (Austria), 6-2, 6-7, 6-1; P Rafter (Aus) bt C Bailey (GB), 7-6, 7-6.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL

7.30 unless stated

European Cup

Group A

Bruges v Marseilles .....

Rangers v CSKA Moscow. ....

Group B

AC Milan v PSV Eindhoven.....

Porto v IFK Gothenburg..... .....

FA Premier League

Arsenal v Notts Forest (7.45) .....

Blackburn v A Villa (all ticket, 7.45) ..

C Palace v Manchester Utd (8.0) .....

Liverpool v Leeds .....

Manchester City v Wimbledon (7.45)

Sheffield Wed v Sheffield Utd (all ticket, 7.45) .....

OXFORDSHIRE SENIOR CUP: Final: Banbury v Thame

Barclays League

Second division

Reading v West Bromwich (7.45) ....

Autoglass Trophy

Area final

Second leg

Exeter v Port Vale (7.45) .....

DIADORA LEAGUE: Premier division: Chesham v Enfield; Wokingham v Sutton United

HFS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier division: Colwyn Bay v Accrington Stanley. First division: Ashton v Warrington, Caernarfon v Workington; Great Harwood v Netherfield. President's Cup: Final: Winsford v Southport.

BASS NORTH-WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Blackpool Mechanics v Chadderton; Darwen v Blackpool Rovers. Glossop North End v Flixton.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Eccleshill v Glasshoughton Welfare, Spennymoor v Liversedge; Whitley Bay v Brigg

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Midland division: Newport v Redditch. Southern division: Salisbury v Bury Town; Witney v Canterbury.

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Torquay v Clevedon; Westbury v Minehead

PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division (7.0): Manchester United v Manchester City; Notts County v Rotherham United; Wolverhampton Wanderers v Bolton Wanderers. Second division: Burnley v Bradford (7.15); Grimsby v Mansfield (7.0); Oldham Athletic v Huddersfield (7.0). Wigan v Coventry City (7.0); York City v Derby County (7.0).

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: Charlton v Swindon, Ipswich v Fulham. Second division: Cardiff v Cheltenham; Swansea v Bournemouth (2.0); Yeovil v Bristol Rovers (7.45)

SOUTH-EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Watford v Chelsea. League Cup: Final: Norwich v Tottenham.

SCHOOLS INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Under-18: England v Austria (at Middlesbrough FC, 7.0).

CRICKET

First day of three

FENNER'S: Cambridge University v Kent.

THE PARKS Oxford University v Glamorgan.

Second day of four

THE OVAL: Surrey II v England Under-19.

OTHER SPORT

HOCKEY: Women's international: England v United States (Bristol, 5.0).

SNOOKER: Embassy world championship (Sheffield)

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BBC1

6.00 Business Breakfast (44841)
7.00 BBC Breakfast News. (32901247)
9.05 A Word In Your Era Verbal communication game show presented by Gordon Burns. This morning Lesley Grantham and Anne Gregg take on Ruth Madoc and Jim Bowen (s) (1864624)
9.35 King of the Road Ross King and Anna Walker continue their tour of the UK with a visit to Llanelli, on Carmarthen Bay (s) (8134452)
10.00 News, regional news and weather (8573841) **10.05 Playdays** (r) (s) (7985995)
10.30 Good Morning ... with Anne and Nick (88686518)
12.05 Pebble Mill. Alan Titchmarsh is joined by Kim Hartman from the cast of *Allo! Allo!* and Sonia, who carries Britain's hopes in this year's Eurovision Song Contest (4209228)
12.45 Good Morning ... with Anne and Nick. A round up of the morning's events (s) (14788792) **12.55 Regional News** and weather (37854518)
1.00 One O'Clock News with John Tusa. (Ceefax) Weather (88112)
1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (11063247) **1.50 Eldorado** (r). (Ceefax) (s) (18513334)
2.20 Hawaii Five-O. Steve McGarrett is faced with a possible gang war following a bizarre murder (r) (1992150) **3.10 Turnabout.** Word power game show hosted by Rob Curling (s) (8514112)
3.40 Cartoon Double Bill (8906995) **3.50 Pingu.** Animated adventures of a clumsy penguin (7113518) **3.55 WildBunch.** Wildlife series (s) (2978266) **4.10 Galaxy Goof-Ups** Cartoon (9124173) **4.35 The Movie Game.** Film and video quiz for school teams. (Ceefax) (s) (7172889)
5.00 Newsround (5069808) **5.10 Dodgem.** Episode four of the six-part children's drama (r). (Ceefax) (s) (6543599)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (261792). Northern Ireland: Inside Ulster
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Anna Ford and Andrew Harvey. (Ceefax) Weather (792)
6.30 Regional News Magazines (604). Northern Ireland: Neighbours
7.00 Eldorado. (Ceefax) (s) (6518)
7.30 Tomorrow's World. Includes an investigation into the claim made last year by Nasa that one of its spacecraft had taken the first photograph of the cosmic Big Bang. (Ceefax) (s) (228)

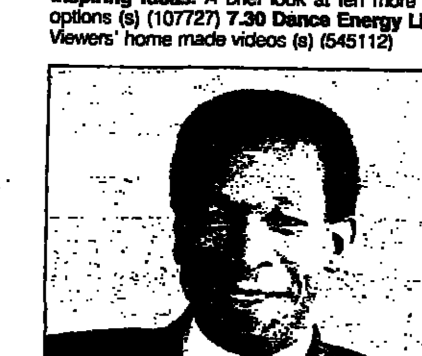


Fostering: Ray Brooks, Sharon Duce (8.00pm)

8.00 Growing Pains. (Ceefax) (s) See Choice (583624)
8.50 TV Heroes. (Ceefax) (s) See Choice (965247)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Regional news and weather (6599)
9.30 QED: Art and Chips. (Ceefax) (s) (15605)
10.00 Sportsnight introduced by Desmond Lynam. Football: highlights from two of tonight's crucial Premier League matches and a report on Glasgow Rangers' European Champions' league game against CSKA Moscow; Greyhound Racing: the 34th running of the BBC Television Trophy final from Wimbledon Stadium; Snooker: action from the Embassy world professional championship in Sheffield (9709)
12.00 Weather (5271984). Ends at **12.05am**
2.15-3.45 BBC Select: Accountancy Television. Scrambled (243261) **3.15 Legal Network Television.** Scrambled (51377)

BBC2

6.45 Open University: Education — Old Dog, New Trick (4228624) **7.10** Classical Sculpture and the Enlightenment (6775711) **7.35** Introduction to Music: Handel's *Messiah* (7052841)
8.00 Breakfast News (8865315)
8.15 Westminster (5885889)
9.00 Film: Days of Glory (1944, b/w) starring Gregory Peck, in his film debut, Tamara Toumanova and Alan Reed. Second world war romantic drama about a group of Soviet freedom fighters who risk their lives in order to rescue a ballet dancer trapped behind German lines. Directed by Jacques Tourneur (2583599)
10.25 World Snooker. Steve Davis plays Peter Ebdon, the player who beat him in the first round last year, and Terry Griffiths concludes his match against David Roe (s) (16868605)
1.20 Melvin and Maureen's Music-a-Grams. Music series with Sophie Aldred and Matthew Devitt (r) (s) (93443570) **1.35 CountryFile.** John Craven explores rural issues (r) (18501599)
2.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (60062518)
2.05 World Snooker and Racing from Cheltenham. In Sheffield, Dougie Donnelly introduces coverage of the game between James Wattana and Tony Jones. At Cheltenham, Julian Wilson and Tracy Piggott set the scene for the 2.25, 3.00 and 3.35 races. Includes **News** (Ceefax) and weather at **2.50** and **3.50** (32947995)
6.00 Star Trek. Classic science fiction drama series starring William Shatner and Leonard Nimoy (r). (Ceefax) (951268)
6.50 DEF II begins with **Rough Guides to Careers: 50 Inspiring Ideas.** A brief look at ten more career options (s) (107727) **7.30 Dance Energy Lift Off.** Viewers' home made videos (s) (545112)



Black and blue: Tory John Taylor (7.40pm)

7.40 Open Space: New Blues. (Ceefax) See Choice (216614)
8.10 Living Islam: The Challenge of the Past. The second of Akbar Ahmed's six-part series exploring what it means to be a Muslim. (Ceefax) (s) (570150)
9.00 World Snooker. David Vine introduces highlights from the second session of the match between Steve Davis and Peter Ebdon (s) (5353)
10.00 I, Lovett. Comedy series starring Norman Lovett (s) (83518)
10.30 Newsnight with Peter Snow (961860)
11.15 Deacon Blue: from Raintown To Your Town. A documentary following the Scottish band as they prepare to launch their latest album *Whatever You Say, Say Nothing* (547353)
11.45 Weather (737315)
11.50 La Chambre. A short dance film (132711)
12.00 Immigration, Prejudice and Ethnicity. How do the immigrants of the 1960s and their families feel about life in the UK? (6259483). Ends at **12.55am**

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CHOICE

QED: Art and Chips
BBC1, 9.30pm

The pop artist Richard Hamilton rose to fame in the 1950s with a striking collage composed from symbols of the period and dominated by Adam and Eve figures of a muscle man and a similarly endowed woman. Now, at the request of *QED*, he substitutes electronics for scissors and paste and produces a computerised collage for the 1990s. The muscle man who dominated his 1956 picture has become a muscle woman, her "Adam" is a commodities dealer, the wallpaper is a printed circuit board and the window opens out on to images of starving Africans. Aids, Mrs Thatcher and a microwave help to complete the picture. It is an effective piece of television, even if it has to be padded out with a resumé of Hamilton's career.

Open Space: New Blues
BBC2, 7.40pm

The new blues are blacks, Britons of Afro-Caribbean origin who are increasingly finding their political home in the Conservative party. It is not an easy thing to do. They face flak both from the left, who regard them as traitors, and from the Tories' racist fringe. Mostly from an emerging middle-class, these black Tories have no difficulty rejecting the idea that Labour is their natural base. The greater problem is countering prejudice from Conservatives. Memories of Enoch Powell's "rivers of blood" speech and Mrs Thatcher's remarks about Britain being swamped by a different culture die hard. The film includes an interview with John Taylor, who was set to be the first black Tory MP but lost, controversially, at Cheltenham



A profile of Rolf Harris: Danny Baker (BBC1, 8.50pm)

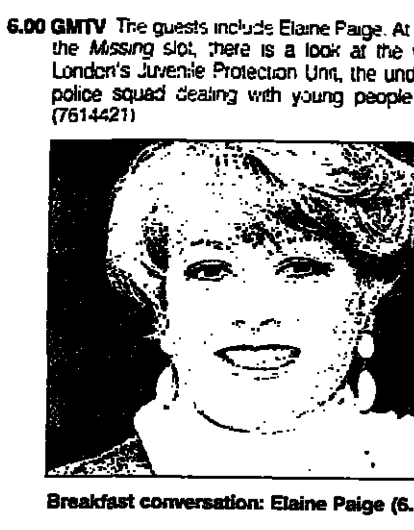
TV Heroes
BBC1, 8.50pm

The rumbustious Danny Baker presents short profiles of television stars, based largely on archive material. Tonight's hero is Rolf Harris and future names will include Fanny Cradock, Pinky and Perky and Johnny Morris. An excellent idea is well-nigh ruined by restricting Baker to ten minutes. What can the poor man do, except cobble together a few clips and hope the viewers have long enough memories to fill in the gaps? Over on Radio 4 a superb series called *Radio Lives* has shown how it should be done. Each of the subjects, great voices from the golden age of wireless, is allocated 40 minutes. The treatment is detailed, rounded, sympathetic but by no means anodyne and the result is invariably illuminating.

Growing Pains: I'd Rather Lead a Band
BBC1, 8.00pm

Ray Brooks and Sharon Duce return as Tom and Pat, the couple who keep fostering babies and then wonder why on earth they do it. As their latest infant wakes them up in the middle of the night, they decide that this time enough is enough. The trouble is that no more fostering means no more series. And since Pat is a soft touch and Tom is too weak to put his foot down, the babies will presumably keep on coming. There is more to the show than this. Tom's carpet business is on the skids, mother-in-law is playing awkward and the couple's own kids are more than a handful by themselves. In a word, it is typical family drama, hovering somewhere between sitcom and soap opera, amiable but unmemorable. **Peter Waymark**

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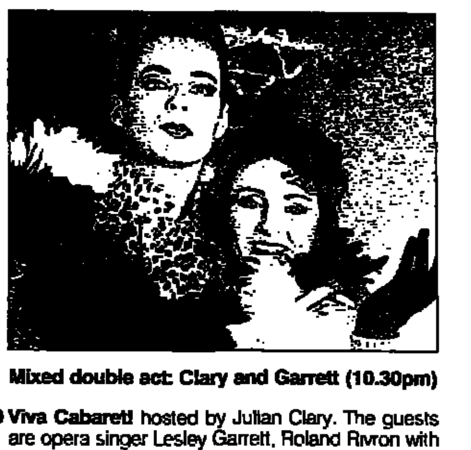


Breakfast conversation: Elaine Paige (6.00am)

6.00 GMTV The guests include Elaine Paige. At **6.15**, in the *Missing* slot, there is a look at the work of London's Juvenile Protection Unit, the undercover police squad dealing with young people at risk (7614421)
9.25 Lucky Ladders. Word game show hosted by Lennie Bennett (s) (7057131) **9.55 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (7961315)
10.00 The Time ... The Place ... Topical discussion programme (4673353)
10.35 This Morning Weekday magazine presented by Judy Finnigan and Richard Madeley (88670957)
12.10 Allsorts (s) (8239315)
12.30 ITN Lunchtime News (Teletext) and weather (2108871) **1.05 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (93475179)
1.15 Home and Away. Australian family drama serial. (Teletext) (631131) **1.45 A Country Practice** Medical drama set in the Australian outback (s) (630402)
2.15 A Day in the Life. A look behind the scenes of Harrods, the Knightsbridge store (r) (s) (655711) **2.45 Take the High Road.** Highlands-based drama serial (4602082)
3.10 ITN News headlines (8572353) **3.15 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (8571624) **3.20 Blockbusters.** General knowledge quiz game for teenagers (1494860)
3.50 Cartoon Time featuring Bugs Bunny (7108686) **3.55 Scooby Doo** (r) (2963334) **4.10 Three Seven Eleven.** Last in the primary school drama series (7196841) **4.40 The Lodge.** Episode three of the ten-part serial about children in care (6792808)
5.10 Home and Away (r). (Teletext) (9448650)
5.40 Early Evening News (Teletext) and weather (862570)
6.00 London Tonight presented by Alastair Stewart and Fiona Foster. (Teletext) (948792)
6.50 This Is Your Life. Michael Aspel with a potted biography of another surprised worthy (s) (923421)
7.20 The European Match Champions League Live. Ian St John introduces the game at Ibrox Park between Glasgow Rangers and CSKA Moscow, in the final round match of the semi-final series. Plus coverage of the other game in Belgium between Bruges and Marseilles (40289592)
9.30 Coronation Street. (Teletext) (47583)
10.00 News at Ten (Teletext) and weather (70044) **10.30 London Tonight** (Teletext) and weather (710228)
10.40 Film: Intrigue (1988) starring Scott Glenn and Robert Loggia. Espionage thriller about an American intelligence operative given the job of getting a defector and former colleague out of Moscow to the West. Directed by David Drury (12583150)
12.30am The European Champions League. Highlights of Glasgow Rangers v CSKA Moscow, Bruges v Marseilles, AC Milan v PSV Eindhoven and Porto v Gothenburg (99629)
1.30 Entertainment UK. Weekly leisure time guide (s) (40396) **2.30 America's Top Ten** (s) (45342)
3.00 The Little Picture Show. Film and video reviews (r) (30919)
4.00 60 Minutes. American news magazine (63735)
5.00 Riviera. French drama serial (86006)
5.30 ITN Morning News (81957). Ends at **6.00**

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6.15 I Love Lucy (b/w) (r) (27792)
6.45 Spiff and Hercules. Cartoon series (3417841)
7.00 The Big Breakfast (16173)
9.00 You Bet Your Life. Game show (s) (80421)
9.30 Film: A Midsummer Night's Dream (1935, b/w) starring James Cagney, Mickey Rooney and, in her film debut, Olivia de Havilland. Hollywood version of Shakespeare's comedy, with Oscar-winning cinematography by Hal Mohr. Directed by Max Reinhardt, his only sound film, and William Dieterle (32837614)
11.50 Four Views of a Landscape. An animated look at artists, made by Sheila Graber (9068808)
12.00 The Parliament Programme (77957)
12.30 Sesame Street. Pre-school learning series (r) (30605) **1.30 Little Rosey.** Cartoon (10150)
2.00 Film: The Prisoner of Zenda (1937, b/w) starring Ronald Colman, Madeleine Carroll and Douglas Fairbanks Jr. A spectacular and spirited version of Anthony Hope's novel about an Englishman on holiday in Ruritania who helps to overthrow a rebel plot by impersonating his look-alike kidnapped king at his coronation. Directed by John Cromwell (Teletext) (413792)
3.45 The Oompahs. Cartoon (r) (2970624)
4.00 The Pulse (r) (Teletext) (353)
4.30 Fifteen To One. Fast-moving general knowledge quiz (Teletext) (s) (537)
5.00 A Fantasy on Ireland Animation (9669624)
5.15 Film: Eric (1975) starring John Savage. A made-for-television drama about a terminally-ill college athlete determined to live life to the full. Directed by James Goldstone (43732711)
7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) and weather (771402)
7.50 Party Political Comment from a Green party politician (833889)
8.00 Brookside. (Teletext) (s) (8976)
8.30 Eat Your Greens Sophie Grigson learns about pumpkin jam from a squash-grower in Suffolk and pumpkin pie for Thanksgiving from an American living in London. (Teletext) (1781)
9.00 Dispatches The results of a Channel 4-commissioned enquiry into the inadequacy of present sentencing policies. The members of the Commission are Anthony Scrivener QC, former chairman of the Bar Council; His Honour Judge Francis Allen; John Evans, chief constable of Devon and Cornwall; Anne Mace, chief probation officer for West Yorkshire, Neil Gow QC, Sheriff of South Strathclyde, and barrister Francis Evans (802957)
9.45 He-Play, She-Play: Murder in Padua by Gerry Feeny. Two 16th-century Italian street urchins plan the death of a hypocritical old cardinal (s) (612044)
10.00 The Golden Palace. Comedy spin-off from *The Golden Girls* with Rose, Blanche and Sophia now running a Miami hotel. (Teletext) (s) (78686)



Mixed double act: Clary and Garrett (10.30pm)

10.30 Viva Cabaret! hosted by Julian Clary. The guests are opera singer Lesley Garrett, Roland Rivron with Raw Sex, dancers La La La Human Steps and comedians Harry Hill and Les Evans (352063)
11.20 E.N.G. Canadian drama series about a television newsgathering team. (Teletext) (s) (864518)
12.20am Moviewatch (r) (2137919)
12.50 Film: Mera Pati Sirf Mera Hai (1975). Hindi drama about the turmoil following an arranged marriage, directed by Manobala (12955280) Ends at **3.35**

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 2.15-2.45 Gardening Time (655711) **3.20-3.50** The Young Doctors (1494860) **5.10-5.40** Blockbusters (9448650) **6.00** Home and Away (668599) **6.25** Anglia News (656344) **7.00** This is Your Life (1686) **7.30** Coronation Street (624) **8.00-10.00** Film: Beaches (3131) **10.40** The European Champions League (491583) **11.40** Magnum (482063) **12.35** Film: Asylum (956025) **2.15** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (9142803) **2.45** 60 Minutes (9142803) **3.35** The New Music (4072795) **4.35** Riviera (70941754) **5.05-5.30** Jobfinder (6559938)

BORDER
As London except: 2.15 Gardening Time (655711) **2.45-3.10** Sprockets (4602082) **3.20-3.50** GP (1494860) **6.00** Lookaround (767792) **6.20** Blockbusters (675247) **6.50-7.20** Coronation Street (923421) **9.30-10.00** This is Your Life (47583) **10.40** Boxing (491583) **11.40** Ice Hockey (482063) **12.35** Film: Asylum (956025) **2.15** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (40261) **2.45** 60 Minutes (9142803) **3.35** The New Music (4072795) **4.35** Riviera (70941754) **5.05-5.30** Jobfinder (6559938)

CENTRAL
As London except: 1.15 A Country Practice (631131) **1.45** *Home and Away* (630402) **2.15-2.45** Gardening Time (655711) **3.20-3.50** Shortland Street (1494860) **5.10-5.40** Blockbusters (9448650) **6.00** Home and Away (668599) **6.25** Central News (777179) **6.50-7.20** Coronation Street (923421) **9.30-10.00** This is Your Life (47583) **10.40** Film: Amos (48048792) **12.25am** Tour of Duty (1475218) **1.20** European Champions League (9789990) **2.20** Entertainment UK (5159174) **3.20** BPM (9658754) **4.20** Jobfinder (2190025) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (6086087)

HTV WEST
As London except: 1.45 Blockbusters (630402) **2.15-2.45** Gardening Time (655711) **3.20-3.50** The Young Doctors (1494860) **6.00** HTV News (767792) **6.30** Midweek (675247) **6.50-7.20** Coronation Street (923421) **9.30-10.00** This is Your Life (47583) **10.40** Boxing (491583) **11.40** European Champions League (482063) **12.35** Film: Asylum (956025) **2.15** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (40261) **2.45** 60 Minutes (9412803) **3.35** The New Music (4072795) **4.35** Riviera (70941754) **5.05-5.30** Jobfinder

HTV WALES
As HTV West except: 6.00 Wales at Six **6.30-7.00** See How They Ran

MERIDIAN
As London except: 2.15-2.45 Dining in France (655711) **3.20-3.50** Young Doctors (1494860) **6.00** Meridian Tonight (767792) **6.20** Blockbusters (675247) **6.50-7.20** Coronation Street (923421) **9.30-10.00** This is Your Life (47583) **10.40-12.30am** Film: Intrigue (12583150)

TYNE TEES
As London except: 2.15-2.45 Yan Can Cook (655711) **3.20-3.50** The Young Doctors (1494860) **6.00** Tyne Tees Today (767792) **6.20** Blockbusters (675247) **6.50-7.20** Coronation Street (923421) **9.30-10.00** This is Your Life (47583) **1.30** Hollywood Report (51342) **2.00** Videofashion (39735) **2.30** Transworld Sport (2650261) **3.25** Music Box (9665025) **4.25-5.30** Jobfinder

ULSTER
As London except: 6.00 UTV Live at Six (948792) **6.50-7.20** Coronation Street (923421) **9.30-10.00** This Is Your Life (47583) **10.40** Boxing (491583) **11.40** The Equalizer (122179) **12.40** Film: Asylum (571483) **2.15** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (40261) **2.45** 60 Minutes (9412803) **3.35** The New Music (407295) **4.35** Riviera (70941754) **5.05-5.30** Jobfinder (6559938)

WESTCOUNTRY
As London except: 1.45 The Young Doctors (630402) **2.15-2.45** Westcountry Focus (655711) **3.20-3.50** A Country Practice (1494860) **6.00** Westcountry Live (948792) **6.50-7.20** Coronation Street (923421) **9.30-10.00** This is Your Life (47583) **10.40** The European Champions League (491583) **11.40** Ringo Starr (540678) **12.35** Film: Asylum (956025) **2.15** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (40261) **2.45** 60 Minutes (9412803) **3.35** The New Music (4072795) **4.35** Riviera (70941754) **5.05-5.30** Jobfinder

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 2.15-2.45 Yan Can Cook (655711) **3.20-3.50** The Young Doctors (1494860) **5.55** Calendar (276824) **6.20** Blockbusters (675247) **6.50-7.20** Coronation Street (923421) **9.30-10.00** This is Your Life (47583) **10.40** Film: Intrigue (12583150) **12.30** The European Champions League (99629) **1.30** Hollywood Report (51342) **2.00** Videofashion (39735) **2.30** Transworld Sport

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Starts: 9.00 You Bet Your Life (80421) **9.30** Film: A Midsummer Night's Dream (376150) **12.00** The Parliament Programme (77957) **12.30** Slot Meithrin (28179) **1.00** Lift Off (65850) **1.30** A Different World (10150) **2.00** Film: The Harvey Girls (404044) **3.50** Fine Feathers (7106228) **3.55** The Pulse (4619204) **4.25** Slot 23 (3539247) **5.00** Fifteen To One (2792) **5.30** Brookside (869) **6.00** News (789105) **6.10** Heno (942518) **7.00** Pobol Y Cwm (9228) **7.30** Antelfiald Aruthrol (266) **8.00** Y Bz A'r Betws (8976) **8.30** News (783570) **8.55** The Crystal Maze (205334) **9.55** Snwcer (113976) **10.30** Film: Nuns on the Run (48055082) **12.15** Rock Steady Special: k d Lang (68667) **12.45-1.15** *Our Backyard* (67938)

SATELLITE

SKY ONE
6.00am The DJ Kat Show (24278150) **8.40** Lamb Chops Play-a-Long (5882599) **9.10** Cartoons (5990402) **9.30** The Pyramid Game (57605) **10.00** Strike It Rich (4704395) **10.25** Dynamo Duck (1391594) **10.30** Concentration (26247) **11.00** The Bold and the Beautiful (40841) **11.30** Falcon Crest (20605) **12.30pm** E Street (51421) **1.00** Another World (6078599) **1.45** Santa Barbara (285976) **2.15** Sally Jessy Raphael (956247) **3.15** Different Strokes (268841) **3.45** The DJ Kat Show (4641402) **5.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (3529) **6.00** Games World (4421) **6.30** E Street (5773) **7.00** Rescue (1228) **7.30** Family Ties (1957) **8.00** Hunter (99605) **9.00** LA Law (79841) **10.00** In Living Color (18228) **10.30** Star Trek: The Next Generation (34696) **11.30** Studs (12605) **12.00** Pages from Skytext

SKY NEWS
News on the hour
6.00am Sunrise (45082) **6.30** News and Business Report (947957) **9.30** ABC Nightline (26599) **10.30** Fashion TV (45155) **11.30** International Business Report (28247) **12.30pm** News and Business Report (45191) **1.30** Good Morning America (95650) **2.30** Parliament Live (20044) **3.30** Parliament Live (39063) **4.30** News and Business Report (1570) **5.00** Live at Five (44044) **6.30** News and Business Report (38063) **7.30** Rivers of Blood — 25 Years On (9599) **10.30** Rivers of Blood — 25 Years On (32228) **11.30** ABC News (87659) **12.30am** Fashion TV (39261) **1.30** ABC News (82396) **2.30** Those Were The Days (29716) **3.30** ABC News (24261) **4.30** Beyond 2000 (93990) **5.30-6.00** ABC News (42071)

SKY MOVIES PLUS
6.00am Showcase (6660082)
10.00 Caddie Woodlawn A tomboy foils an ambush against Dakota Indians (62537)
12.00 Joe Dancer: The Monkey Mission (1991): Robert Blake plays the hard-boiled private eye (21353)
2.00pm Infidelity (1987): Kirstie Alley and Lee Horsley lose their baby (51268)
4.00 Papa's Delicate Condition (1963): Comedy starring Jackie Gleason (8131)
6.00 Caddie Woodlawn (as 10am) (83044)
8.00 The Rocketeer (1991). Comic book adventure starring Bill Campbell (95889)
10.00 The Silence of the Lambs (1991): Anthony Hopkins's Hannibal Lecter helps Jodie Foster to track a serial killer (78353)
12.00 Saint Tropez Vice (1989): Erotic drama (331532)
1.50am Angel Town (1990): Martial arts drama with Oliver Gruner (83165867)
4.00 Blood Oath (1990). Bryan Brown tries Japanese soldiers in charge of Ambon Island POW camp (407822). Ends at **5.50**

SKY MOVIES GOLD
6.00pm Woman of the Year (1942, b/w). Comedy with Spencer Tracy and Katharine Hepburn (74334)
8.00 Tell Them Willie Boy Is Here (1969). Robert Redford pursues renegade Indian Robert Blake (86179)
10.00 Risky Business (1983). Tom Cruise becomes involved with prostitute Rebecca De Mornay (507957). Ends at **11.45**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL
6.00am Where's Willy?. A scientific genius is a disappointment to his father (81082)
8.00 Around the World with Dot Live action and animation (2116957)
9.20 Delta Space Mission. Animated science-fiction adventure (8347889)
10.35 A Breath of Scandal (1960): John Gavin falls in love with Austrian princess Sophia Loren (58797686)
12.20pm One, Two, Three (1961): Billy Wilder comedy with James Cagney (710082)
2.10 Bandido (1956). Robert Mitchum as a gun-runner in Mexico (925112)
3.45 Around the World with Dot (as 8am) (7215889) **5.05 Delta Space Mission** (as 9.20am) (8348860)
6.30 Jetsons: The Movie (1990): Cartoon about a space-age family (10808)
8.00 Sleeping with the Enemy (1991) Battered wife Julia Roberts runs away from husband Patrick Bergin (86131)
10.00 The Amityville Curse (1989) Fifth outing in the horror series (224247)
11.35 To Sleep with Anger (1990): Danny Glover arrives at the home of old friend Paul Butler during a family feud (817547)
1.20am Stealing Heaven (1988): Modern re-working of the story about the medieval lovers Heloise and Abelard (383700)
3.20 The Time of the Gypsies (1989). A Yugoslavian tale about a boy with telekinetic powers (77707984) Ends at **5.40**

SKY SPORTS
6.30am Stretch (34841) **7.00** Basketball (85063) **9.00** Stretch (94247) **9.30** Football: Stockport County v Wigan Athletic (74155) **11.30** Stretch (90860) **12.00** ATP Tennis: Monte Carlo Open (3188063) **5.00pm** Soccer News (378082) **6.03** Motor World (3150) **6.30** Drag Racing (4402) **7.00** US PGA Seniors Golf from Palm Beach (342353) **10.00** Soccer News (294402) **10.03** Ringside (29137) **12.00** Snowboarding (65980) **12.30-1.00am** Drag Racing (35261)

EUROSPORT
7.30am Step Aerobics (93082) **8.00** Artistic Gymnastics (40402) **10.00** Ice Hockey (29421) **12.00** Eurogoals (39608) **1.00pm** Boston Marathon (60315) **2.30** Ice Hockey (471179) **5.00** NBA Basketball (71112) **6.30** Eurosport News (9570) **7.00** Ice Hockey: Czech Republic v Norway (106353) **9.30** German Motor Racing Exhibition (30537) **10.00** European Football (49624) **11.00** Kick Boxing (90895) **12.00-12.30am** Eurosport News (67358)

UK GOLD
6.00am Rainbow (12434860) **6.15** Button Moon (12439315) **6.30** Jem (6988266) **7.00** Flash Gordon (3630266) **7.30** Neighbours (3619773) **8.00** Sons and Daughters (1058402) **8.30** EastEnders (1057773) **9.00** The Bill (1071353) **9.30** One by One (5838976) **10.30** Big Deal (6522518) **11.30** No Place Like Home (1542402) **12.00** Sons and Daughters (1068889) **12.30pm** Neighbours (9497624) **1.00** EastEnders (3639537) **1.30** The Bill (9496995) **2.00** Father, Dear Father (7114792) **2.30** Rings on Their Fingers (5144222) **3.00** Dallas (1553518) **4.00** Dynasty (1565353) **5.00** Blankety Blank (7105044) **5.30** Give Us a Clue (5849470) **6.00** Neighbours (4794781) **6.30** One by One (3480605) **7.30** Father, Dear Father (4699137) **8.00** EastEnders (7101228) **8.30** Rings on Their Fingers (7113063) **9.00** Big Deal (9446082) **10.00** The Bill (1069518) **10.30** Mornin' Sarge (1078266) **11.00** The Kenny Everett Television Show (1566082) **11.30** Dr Who: The Sea Devils Starring Jon Pertwee (6968402) **12.00** Film: Ringside Maisie (1941, b/w) starring Ann Sothern and George Murphy (1443648) **1.40-2.00am** Video Bites (31150218)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL
6.00am Jack in the Box (82063) **7.00** RatKan II (31841) **9.00** Jack in the Box (23334) **11.00** Stories Without Words (39773) **11.30** Say Ahhh! (30402) **12.00** Secret Valley (77082) **1.00pm** Jack in the Box (53402) **2.00** Stories Without Words (9044) **2.30** Say Ahhh! (53341) **3.00** Bobobobs (8179) **3.30** RatKan II (32155) **5.00** Katts and Dog (3624) **5.30** Saved by the Bell (9150) **6.00** Fame (73266)

RADIO 3

6.35am Open University: Literature — Meaning and Interpretation
6.55 Weather
7.00 On Air, with Andrew McGregor. Including Albinoni (Concerto Grosso, Op 9 No 9); Haydn (Symphony No 56 in C); Ferguson (Overture for an Occasion); Rodrigo (Concierto en Modo Galante)
9.00 Composer of the Week: Respighi. E se un giorno tornasse; La mamma e come il pane caldo; Io sono la madre (Elsa Respighi, soprano, the composer, piano); Three Preludes on Gregorian Themes (Sonya Hanke, piano); Concerto Gregoriano (Takako Nishizaki, violin; Singapore SO under Choo Hoey)
10.00 Midweek Choice, with Susan Sharpe. Wagner (Overture, Rienzi); John Parry (Harp Sonata in D), Arnold (Sussex Overture); Charpentier (Magnificat pour le Port Royal); Enescu (Violin Sonata No 3); Delibes (Intermezzo Valse lente, Sylvia); Meyerbeer (Tu l'as dit; oui, tu m'aimes, Les Huguenots); Hasselmans (La Source); Boughton (Oboe Concerto No 1)
12.00 Great Masters Restored. Berlioz (Symphonie fantastique) (r) **1.00pm News**
1.05 Birmingham Lunchtime Concert: Eileen Hulse, soprano, John Constable, piano, perform Debussy (Pantomime; Clair de lune; Pierrot; Apparition); Schumann (Jasminenstrauch, Op 27 No 4; Röselein, Röselein! Op 89 No 6; Aufträge, Op 77 No 5); Mahler (Starke Einbildungskraft; Ablösung im Sommer; Rheinlegendchen); Strauss (Herr Lenz, Op 37 No 5, Schlagende Herzen, Op 29 No 2); Szymanowski (Songs of a Fairytale Princess, Op 31)
2.00 Record Review (r)
3.30 From Death to Life. Bryden Thomson conducts two pieces by Bax: In the Faery Hills (Ulster Orchestra); The Golden Eagle (London Philharmonic)
4.00 Choral Evensong, live from Wells Cathedral
5.00 In Tune: Andrew Green talks to members of the Carmina Quartet
7.30 Tippett and Beethoven: Tippett (Fanfare for Brass); Beethoven (Piano Concerto No 1 in C: Stephen Kovacevich); Beethoven (Overture, The Ruins of Athens); Tippett (Symphony No 2). See Choice
9.10 Tanya Moiseiwitsch: In the second of three programmes, the British stage designer talks to John Drummond about her work with Tyrone Guthrie
9.25 Orpheus with His Lute: Konrad Junghänel, lute, plays Weiss (Ouverture in B flat); Visée (La Conversation Allemande); du Fault (Suite in G minor); Weiss (Ciacona in G minor) (r)
10.00 Warsaw Autumn '91: Vera Beths, violin, Reinbert de Leeuw, piano, perform Dallapiccola (Two Studies for violin and piano); Berio (Sequenza VIII for solo violin); Theo Loevendie (Drones for violin and piano)
10.45 Night Waves, presented by Peter Holland
11.30 Haydn's Late Chamber Works: Piano Trio in E flat, H XV 29 (Andras Schiff, piano, Yuuko Shiokawa, violin, Steven Isserlis, cello); Andante with Variations in F minor, H XVII 6: Radu Lupu, piano), String Quartet in E flat, Op 76 No 6: Takacs Quartet)
12.30-12.35am News

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing, incl **6.03** Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day **6.30** Today, incl **6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **6.45** Business News **6.55, 7.55** Weather **7.25, 8.25** Sports News **7.45** Thought for the Day **8.40** Yesterday in Parliament **8.58** Weather
9.00 News
9.05 Midweek with Libby Purves and birthday guest Sam Fox
10.00-10.30 Discursive Excursions (FM only): Travellers recall their reactions to extreme conditions. With Sir Vivian Fuchs, Sir Alexander Glen, Chris Furse, Robert Swan and Charles Burton
10.00 News; Daily Service (LW only)
10.15 Something Understood (LW only): An Anthology of Spiritual Verse. A selection of poetry on the theme of nature
10.30 Woman's Hour meets the harpist Danielle Perrett and oboist Hilary Palmer; and discusses mustard in cooking. Incl **11.00 News**
11.30 Gardeners' Question Time: Members of the St Roberts Horticulture Society in Newcastle upon Tyne put their questions to the experts (r)
12.00 News; You and Yours, with Linda Lewis
12.25pm The Age of Innocence: Second of a six-part adaptation by Christopher Reason of the novel by Edith Wharton. With Andrew Wincott, Suzanne Bertish and Cathryn Harrison **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World at One, with James Naughtie
1.40 The Archers (r) **1.55** Shipping
2.00 News; Per Ardua Ad Terram, by Peter Reynolds. Sophie is suffering from a broken heart. The last thing she wants is to interview Vincent, the local eccentric and exponent of man-powered flight. With Janet Maw and Bill Wallis
2.47 Treasure Islands: New books for children under four (r)
3.00 News; The Reckoning: Back to the Lubwa Mission (r)
3.42 The World of Anthony Trollope: Politics. Richard Mullen considers aspects of 19th-century life seen through the eyes of the author
4.00 News
4.05 Kaleidoscope reviews the film *Sommersby*, starring Jodie Foster and Richard Gere; and profiles Nicholas Ray, director of *Rebel Without a Cause* (r)
4.45 Short Story Vandals, by Peter Lovesey. Read by Auriol Smith
5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.30 Counterpoint: Second semi-final of the musical quiz (r)
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 Tales from Oz: See Choice
7.45 Bosnia Debate; Nick Clarke chairs a debate from Chatham House on whether the West should take military action in Bosnia. With MPs Douglas Hogg, George Robertson and Paddy Ashdown, and columnists Simon Jenkins and Andrew Marr
8.15 Kaleidoscope (r)
9.45 The Financial World Tonight 9.59 Weather
10.00 The World Tonight, with Alexander MacLeod
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: A Straightforward Tale, by Leonardo Sciascia. Read by Stephen MacDonald (3/5)
11.00 Dear Diary: Simon Brett with extracts for April 16 (r)
11.30 Today in Parliament
12.00-12.43am News, incl **12.27** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (LW only)

CHOICE

Tales from Oz. *Radio 4, 7.20pm.*
The first of David Wright's three profiles of modern Australians indicates the general direction in which the series is going. There will be no room for stereotypes. These are off-beat Aussies. First in line is Greg Ivone, hunter of the dingo that attacks cattle, sheep and — so it was sensationally alleged in the Cindy Chamberlain case — babies. Ivone hates doing the killing but loves his work. The programme explains why there is not such a dichotomy here as there appears to be on paper.

Tippett and Beethoven. *Radio 3, 7.30pm.*
No wonder the concerts were a sell-out. Last month, four evenings at London's Barbican were taken up by works by one musical giant of the 18th-19th centuries, and another from the 20th. The same orchestra, the BBC SO, had different conductors, Nicholas Cleobury, David Atherton and Andrew Davis. The series made history because it was the first time all four of Tippett's symphonies had been programmed together. Tonight, we hear the second concert of which the climax is Tippett's Symphony No 2. **Peter Davalle**

RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW. **4.00am** Steve Edwards with The Early Breakfast Show (FM only) **6.00** Simon Mayo **9.00** Simon Bates **12.30pm** Newsbeat **12.45** Jakki Brambles **3.00** Steve Wright in the Afternoon **6.00** News '93 **6.30** Mark Goodier's Evening Session **8.30** The Steve Edwards Soul Show **10.00** Nicky Campbell Goes Into the Night **12.00-4.00am** Bob Harris (FM only)

RADIO 2

FM Stereo **5.00am** Sarah Kennedy: The Early Show **6.15** Pause for Thought **7.05** Wake Up to Wogan **9.15** Pause for Thought **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.30** Michael Parkinson **2.00pm** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Ed Stewart **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Jim Lloyd with Folk on 2 **8.00** Mike Harding with Whippersnapper in concert at the Shire Hall, Howden in North Humberside **8.30** Celtic Horizons with Cilla Fisher (2/7) **9.00** Fandango, Flamenco and Fiesta (2/7) **9.30** Nigel Ogden: The Organist Entertains **10.30** The Jamesons **12.05am** Steve Madden with Night Ride **3.00-5.00am** Alex Lester

RADIO 5

News and sport on the hour until **7.00pm**. **6.00am** World Service: Newshour **6.30** Danny Baker's Morning Edition **9.30** Johnnie Walker with The AM Alternative **11.30** BFBS Worldwide **12.30pm** Education Matters **1.05** Decisions ... Decisions ... Anna Raeburn discusses grief **2.30** Game of Two Halves with Caron Keating and Mark Kermode **4.30** Five Aside **6.30** Crimewaves, by Dave Simpson and Diane Whitely (4/6) **7.15** Over the Log, by Jamila Gavin. Read by Danny John-Jules (r) **7.30** Trevor Brooking's Football Night: Glasgow Rangers v CSKA Moscow **10.10** Hit the North with Mark Radcliffe **12.00-12.10am** News; Sport

WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. **4.30am** BBC English **4.45** News and Press Review in German **5.00** Morgenmagazin; Tips für Touristen **5.30** Londres Matin **6.00** News **6.30** Europe Today **7.00** News **7.15** The World Today **7.30** Meridian **8.00** Newsdesk **8.30** Development '93 **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** A Taste of Soul **9.30** Quote, Unquote **10.00** News **10.05** Business Report **10.15** Country Style **10.30** A Bad Press **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** Omnibus **11.30** BBC English **11.45** Mittagsmagazin **11.59** Business Update **Noon** Newsdesk **12.30pm** Meridian **1.00** News **1.10** Words of Faith **1.15** New Ideas **1.35** Whatever Happened To ... **1.45** Sports Roundup **2.00** Newshour **3.00** News **3.05** Outlook **3.30** Off the Shelf: Father and Son **3.45** Good Books **4.00** News **4.15** BBC English **4.29** News in French **4.30** Heute Aktuell **5.00** News **5.15** BBC English **5.30** Londres Soir **6.00** News **6.05** Business Report **6.15** The World Today **6.30** Heute Aktuell **7.05** German Features **8.00** News **8.05** Outlook **8.30** Europe Today **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** The World Today **9.30** Assignment **10.00** Newshour **11.00** News **11.15** Sports International **11.45** Sports Roundup **Midnight** News **12.05am** Business Report **12.15** From Our Own Correspondent **12.30** Multitrack 2 **1.00** Newsdesk **1.30** It's Magic! **2.00** News **2.05** Outlook **2.30** Waveguide **2.40** Book Choice **2.45** The Farming World **3.00** Newsdesk **3.30** Sports International **4.00** News **4.15** Sports Roundup

CLASSIC FM

6.00am Nick Bailey **9.00** Henry Kelly **12.00** Susannah Simons **2.00pm** Lunchtime Concerto, William Alwyn (Concerto for Oboe, String Orchestra and Harp), Britten (Symphonic Suite, Gloriana) **3.00** Petroc Trelawny **6.00** Classic Reports with Margaret Howard **7.00** Book Browse with John Russell **8.00** Classic FM Concert. British film music, including Arnold (The Bridge on the River Kwai), Walton (Henry V, a Shakespeare Scenario) **10.00** Adrian Love **1.00-6.00am** Robert Booth

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IAN STEWART



Sprint to the finish: Durrant, left, leads the Rangers players in training before their final Champions League meeting with CSKA Moscow at Ibrox tonight

Belgians can decide Rangers' fate

BY ROB HUGHES
FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

BETWEEN now and nightfall, Rangers will have the dream, the passion and the dread of playing for higher stakes than even Liverpool reaped in their European heyday. No matter how they run, or by how much they might beat CSKA Moscow at Ibrox, the nagging reality is that they must rely on strangers in another land to do half their job for them.

Tonight is the last leg of the protracted Champions League. Rangers need to gain one point more than Marseilles achieve at FC Bruges if they are to meet AC Milan in the European Cup final in Munich on May 26.

Were it simply a matter of sporting contests, the odds would favour Rangers. They have to repeat a victory over CSKA, while Marseilles would then have to beat a Bruges team that has not lost a European match at home for four years. If the results are the same — two wins, two draws or even two defeats — Marseilles would become finalists by virtue of having drawn 2-2 in Glasgow compared to Rangers' 1-1 draw in France.

Rangers must first prevail tonight. Their efforts have already helped to whittle the club's debts from £13 million to £9 million, but their heart has been all about human performance, about the spirit no amount of money could lubricate. You either have it in your soul or not and Marseilles, though unquestionably capable of finer technique, have twice succumbed to Scottish determination.

The Marseilles president, Bernard Tapie, manages to shrug off police investigations into his club, into his politics and his myriad business deals. He lasted a mere 51 days as Minister for Cities last year before a formal charge of concealing from his business partner a £1.3 million deal was placed and Tapie had to give up office.

Accusations are everywhere: CSKA have been accused by *Pravda* of selling a home match in the Russian league last autumn. Despised at home, four of the players, including the goalkeeper, Dmitri Kharin, who moved to Chelsea, were sold abroad. Surprisingly, Oleg Sergeyev, 25, remains a potent force in their attack.

Rangers know that CSKA can play. The Scots won their match 1-0 in Bochum, Germany, last December, but it was again a question of Scottish willpower overcoming superior individual techniques. However, match-by-match, the manager, Walter Smith, has led Rangers to far greater European success than did Graeme Souness. Smith insists his players will need all their concentration and not let minds wander to affairs near Flanders field even if the buzz from the crowd at Ibrox will intermittently suggest what is going on with Marseilles.

Indeed, the players must give everything. This is as close as they may get in a lifetime. Men like the poacher, Ally McCoist, like Ian Ferguson and Ian Durrant, are capable of penetrating the Russian defence and the Russians may never have heard a noise like the Ibrox roar.

They all then have to hope that Bruges stay committed and proud. The Belgians themselves have heard the whispers. They have bridled at them. They say they have reasons of their own to want to beat Marseilles out of sight. Those reasons include the unprintable Gallic insults, the arrogance from Tapie, after Marseilles beat them 3-0 in October.

However, ominous news came from the Bruges training field yesterday: the captain, Franky van der Elst, pulled up with a thigh strain, another Belgian international, Lorenzo Staelens, hobbled off with an ankle injury and their manager, Hugo Broos, said: "There is no way they will get a painkiller, we have a much more important game on Saturday against Waregem." At least Broos did reiterate: "Whatever happens, we are not going to gift the match to Marseilles."

Another reason, the Belgians say, is that they have no love for Raymond Goethals, the former trainer of the Belgian national team now in charge of Marseilles. Goethals, they remember, seldom picked Bruges players. Worse, he was the trainer at Standard Liège when, ten years ago, it was found guilty of match-fixing and Goethals was one of those banned *sine die* in his home country.

In Marseilles two weeks ago, Rangers remember how the ball boys were withdrawn the moment the home team went a goal ahead. They remember Tapie hammering on the referee's door at half-time.

They remember someone from the Marseilles bench jumping up to shout gibberish whenever the Scottish manager attempted to convey a message to his players.

All very unpleasant, but there is a wee problem in Glaswegians shouting dirty tricks. The rest of Europe remembers the legacy of Souness, the manager who narrowed the Ibrox pitch by a couple of yards in the dead of night after allowing a team from Dynamo Kiev to train on the field. We see what comes out of darkness.

Turkey crowd ban, page 44

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

Group A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Marseilles	5	2	3	0	13	4	7
Rangers	5	2	3	0	7	5	7
Bruges	5	2	1	2	5	7	5
CSKA	5	0	1	4	2	11	1

RESULTS: Bruges 1, CSKA Moscow 0; Rangers 2, Marseilles 2; CSKA Moscow 0, Rangers 1; Marseilles 3, Bruges 0; Bruges 1, Rangers 1; CSKA Moscow 1, Marseilles 1; Marseilles 6, CSKA Moscow 0; Rangers 2, Bruges 1; CSKA Moscow 1, Bruges 2; Marseilles 1, Rangers 1.

FIXTURES: Today: Bruges v Marseilles; Rangers v CSKA Moscow.

Group B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
AC Milan	5	5	0	0	9	1	10
Gothenburg	5	3	0	2	7	6	6
Porto	5	1	1	3	3	5	3
Eindhoven	5	0	1	4	4	11	1

RESULTS: AC Milan 4, Gothenburg 0; Porto 2, PSV Eindhoven 2; Gothenburg 1, Porto 0; PSV Eindhoven 1, AC Milan 2; Porto 0, AC Milan 1; PSV Eindhoven 1, Gothenburg 3; AC Milan 1, Porto 0; Gothenburg 3, PSV Eindhoven 0; Gothenburg 0, AC Milan 1; PSV Eindhoven 0, Porto 1.

FIXTURES: Today: AC Milan v PSV Eindhoven, Porto v Gothenburg.

Players must keep to task in hand

BY RODDY FORSYTH

RANGERS yesterday set their sights on beating CSKA Moscow, their visitors to Ibrox in the final round of Champions' League fixtures tonight, and tried to ignore the match between FC Bruges and Marseilles in Belgium that could decide whether they reach the European Cup final for the first time.

Although it is possible that the Scottish champions could preserve their unbeaten record in the round-robin semi-final stages of the competition and still fail to reach the final, there were no signs of nerves as Rangers put the finishing touches to their training.

"It's too late for that," Trevor Steven said when he, Ian Durrant and Ally McCoist met the press for a final discussion on team morale. "We've got this far by surmounting a series of games that has presented us with problems at every turn and we have the experience to handle this and get on with the job in hand.

"In my opinion, it is absolutely 50-50 between ourselves and Marseilles but, what concerns me more, is that some people might think that our game is a relative formality. We learnt in the first game against CSKA that they are a quality side and I regard their 6-0 defeat in Marseilles as a freak result. If you could guarantee us a 1-0 victory right now, we would all settle for that."

Walter Smith, the Rangers manager, has stressed to his players that they must concentrate throughout, no matter what tidings may be relayed from the stand, where thousands of radios will be tuned to the progress of the contest in Belgium. "It has been suggested that if we hear that Marseilles are losing, we will get a lift from the news, which is possible, but that could also be a distraction.

"What happens if the news comes through that Marseilles are winning by a couple of goals? I want us to finish with a victory here because we have set a standard for ourselves in this competition and it would be a great pity to let it slip now."

RANGERS (probable): A Goram; D McPherson, D Robertson, J Brown, R Gough, I Ferguson, T Steven, S McCall, A McCoist, I Durrant, P Huistra.

Brighton saved by sale of Beeney to Leeds

BY ADRIAN HOLLOWAY

BRIGHTON, who must answer a winding-up petition from the Inland Revenue for £351,000 in unpaid PAYE taxes in the High Court today, secured their short-term future yesterday by selling their goalkeeper, Mark Beeney, to Leeds United in a deal that could bring the second division club as much as £900,000.

Leeds, who have signed Beeney, 25, as understudy to John Lukic, have agreed to a down-payment of £350,000 which Brighton will take to the hearing in London this morning. The fee will increase by £5,000 with each first-team appearance Beeney makes for the league champions up to a sum of £250,000, plus a further £300,000 should he play for England.

Brighton have debts of £2.6 million, but Barry Lloyd, the managing director, said yesterday that the immediate threat to the existence of Sussex's only league club had now gone.

The profit Lloyd made through the sale of Beeney, whom he bought from Maidstone United for £20,000, is typical of the shrewd dealing that has enabled the club to survive during nearly a decade in debt.

"I have mixed feelings about selling Mark," Lloyd said. "It's yet another instance where we've had to let a promising player go, but Leeds were brilliant about it because they agreed to buy him now even though under league rules they can't play him until the start of next season."

Beeney said: "Brighton are a nice club and it would be a shame if they went under. My job now is to push John Lukic as hard as possible."

Howard Wilkinson, the Leeds manager, described the transfer as "a good sporting bet". He said: "Mark will start next season as our second choice but this is a great opportunity for him to press a claim on the first-team spot, and it's up to him to impress."

Brighton are trying to recall Perry Digweed, their reserve goalkeeper who is on loan at Wimbledon, for the remaining three games of the season as they challenge for promotion to the first division via the play-offs.

James ready to make mark again

BY PHIL YATES

STEVE James, who with one notable exception has reserved his best for the Crucible Theatre, impressively reached the last 16 of the Embassy world snooker championship with a 10-2 victory over John Giles in Sheffield yesterday.

James, the world No. 10, has been plagued by the concentration-draining effects of diabetes this season but, clearly benefiting from a recent visit to his doctor which resulted in a doubling of his medication, he remained focused throughout against Giles.

The foundation of such an untroubled passage was laid in the first session. James exploited the early hesitancy of Giles, a first-season professional, and established an 8-1 lead with runs of 46, 106, 66 and a 138 total clearance — the highest break of the championship so far.

When play resumed, James moved 9-1 ahead with a 55 break. Giles delayed the inevitable by winning the next, but James advanced after laying a snooker on the yellow in the twelfth frame and clearing the colours to the black.

Without doubt, James is able to respond to the demands of the Crucible. His 10-9 first-round defeat by Dene O'Kane 12 months ago, after he had led 5-0 and 9-5, was the only time James had failed to put a positive mark on the championship.

On his first appearance at the Crucible in 1988, he compiled a tournament high break of 140 before he was beaten in the quarter-finals. The following year he was edged out 10-9 by John Parrott in a first-round contest chosen for the snooker writers' match-of-the-season award.

However, he made his biggest impact in 1991 when beating Stephen Hendry, the holder, 13-11 in a quarter-final upset. It is this pedigree, and the significant improvement in recent form shown against Giles, which obviously accounted for his buoyant press conference. James, who meets James Wattana or Tony Jones in the next round, said: "I don't care who I play because I know that I'm switched on and producing my best. I have the gears to take anyone."

James does not subscribe to the theory that the championship must be won by one of the big four — Hendry, Parrott, Jimmy White and Steve Davis. "That's a load of rubbish," James said.

"Dave Harold proved that by winning the Asian Open last month."

RESULT: First round: S James (Eng) bt J Giles (Eng), 10-2.

Dangerous Davis, page 46

Australians granted an early sight of Botham

IAN Botham, who says he would like one last crack at Australia on England's behalf before he retires at the end of the season, has been included in Lavinia, the Duchess of Norfolk's XI to play Allan Border's side at Arundel on May 2.

Paul Parker, of Durham, will lead a team that includes retired Test players in Joel Garner and Phil Edmonds. Players from 14 counties were unavailable because of the first round of championship matches.

Vivian Richards, 41, the former West Indies captain, begins the third and final year of his contract with Glamorgan against Oxford University in the Parks today. "I like to think that I could compete with any 41-year-old and even a few younger players," Richards said yesterday. "I still love my cricket."

DUCHESS OF NORFOLK'S XI: P W G Parker (Durham, captain), G Fowler (Durham), T R Ward (Kent), I T Botham (Durham), G R Cowdrey (Kent), M V Fleming (Kent), I A Greig (Surrey), R J Parks (Hampshire), M A Ealham (Kent), J Garner (West Indies), P H Edmonds (Middlesex).

☐ Alvin Kallicharran, the former Warwickshire and West Indies batsman, has signed for Herefordshire.

Cautious Lancashire, page 44

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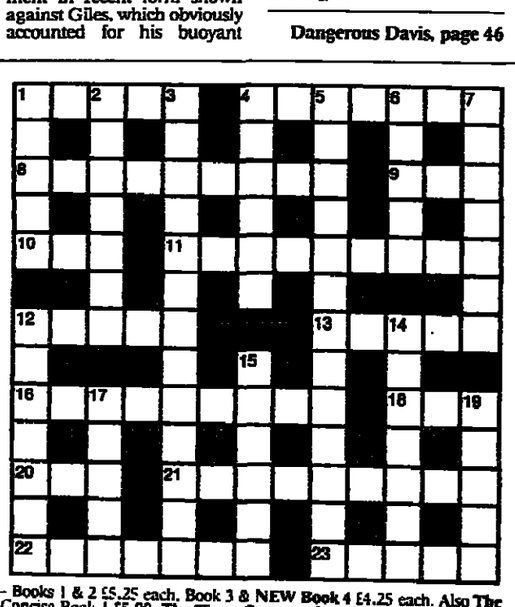
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22 Perfumed (7)
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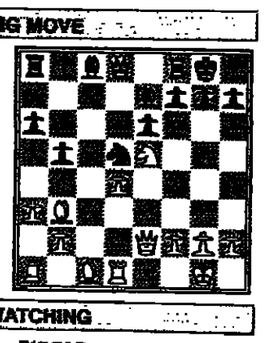


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WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

This position is from the game Horvath — Kallai, Hungary 1992. The position looks quiet enough, but a second glance reveals a fatal weakness in the black position. How did white win immediately?



Solution on page 46

WORD-WATCHING

By PHILIP HOWARD

SLANG

MIKE
a. A confidence trickster's stooge
b. Marijuana
c. A period of idleness

SCUZZY
a. Excuse me please!
b. Disgusting in appearance
c. Sassy, full of chutzpah

FIZGIG
a. A police informer
b. A motor mechanic
c. Women's cosmetics

EIGHTY-SIX
a. A sexual attitude
b. An old soldier
c. Something is off

Answers on page 46

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